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A Tech legend passed away this week. The *Nique* takes a look at the life of Kim King.

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Students aren't the only ones that get midterm grade reports.

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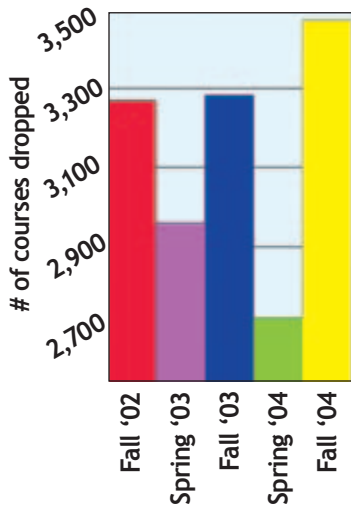
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Drops increase with midterm drop day

By Alexandra Pajak
Contributing Writer

Drop day arrived last Friday, marking the last chance for students to withdraw from classes this semester. However, this drop day came eight weeks into the semester, a later date than students have seen before. Students dropped more course than usual.

The new academic school calendar, adopted this past summer,



also now allows students to receive midterm grades two weeks prior to the final drop day.

Proposed by the Institute Undergraduate Curriculum Committee in March 2004, the schedule allows students to drop a class through the middle of the semester, two weeks later than in previous terms. The Academic Senate approved the policy in May 2004.

Registrar Jo McIver ran through the numbers of dropped courses among undergraduate and graduate students, indicating an increase

evident from the later drop date.

"The total for this year was 3,472. Last year it was 2,776," she said, comparing Fall '04 with Spring '04. Students who withdrew from all classes were not included in this total.

She noted that in addition to drop day, the date for progress report distribution has also changed. "We've changed two variables. It will be hard to compare the total from last year to this year," she said. The data may also be skewed by the increased size of the freshman class.

The new drop date now matches the final drop day procedures of both Georgia State University and the University of Georgia. Both institutions allow students to drop classes until the middle of the term.

Massachusetts Institute of Technology allows students to drop classes until 10 weeks into the semester. At the California Institute of Technology students can drop classes eight weeks into the term, just before the distribution of midterm grades.

Some students find the class withdrawal date change helpful in their decision-making processes. "It gives me more information on whether I'll do well in the class. It definitely helps," said Stephanie Tolbert, junior Chemical Engineering major.

Chris Dalbec, a junior in Electrical Engineering, also likes the change. "I think it's a step in the right direction. It makes it easier for the students to know whether or not to continue in that class. Since drop day is later in the [semester], we students know an even larger portion of our grade, which makes

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Southern Polytechnic SGA president Heather Giroux (above) and Tech Undergraduate Student Body President Amy Phuong address students at Friday's petition rally.

By Jamie Howell/
STUDENT PUBLICATIONS

Deal averts tuition hike

Student outcry contributes to Regents decision

By Haining Yu
Assistant News Editor

The Board of Regents voted Tuesday against a midyear tuition increase for the University System of Georgia, thanks in part to a deal made with Gov. Sonny Perdue to downsize budget cuts.

The Board instead approved a series of cuts proposed by Chancellor Thomas Meredith that would, as Perdue had asked, "trim the fat" off the University System's yearly budget.

While stressing the poor timing of the budget cuts and the importance of maintaining a high quality of education, Meredith said that these cuts to their budget would be the only way to avoid an unprecedented midyear tuition increase.

"We're pushing the envelope here with the kinds of things we're recommending to you, but by doing that we can avoid the midyear

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Celebrate Buzz Bash tonight

The Alumni Association invites students to celebrate Buzz's 25th anniversary tonight at 7:30 p.m. at the Festival Area at Bobby Dodd Stadium.

Student tickets will be sold at the door at a cost of \$15. The *Technique* incorrectly reported last week that the event would be free.

Technique to return Oct. 29

Due to the shortened week resulting from fall break, there will be no issue of the *Technique* next week. Look for our next issue Friday, Oct. 29.

Clough delivers upbeat State of Institute

By Shan Sharif
Contributing Writer

Institute President Wayne Clough discussed Tech's achievements and spoke of maintaining a reputation of technological innovation in his annual State of the Institute Address Tuesday.

Clough said that an important goal for the future is "to define Tech as a research university of the 21st century and to educate the leaders of a technology-driven world."

After an introduction, Clough spoke about issues regarding funding.

State funding, which currently comprises 25 percent of the Institute's total funding, down from 34 percent in 2002, has not kept up with Tech's growth and has forced some streamlining in recent semesters.

Clough pointed out that increased class sizes are a noticeable effect of the cutbacks

to students.

He said he wants students to be aware of these issues. Clough said that "a shift of financial support is occurring from state support to student and parent support. Students should be concerned when they may be denied the great opportunities

"Our faculty is as great as our students."

Wayne Clough
Institute President

that Tech has to offer."

Despite budget cuts, Clough said he is committed to maintaining the academic excellence of Tech. Clough said that he believes in the further development of need-based scholarships.

These scholarships could help

to retain students who may be unable to afford Tech after a possible tuition increase.

Also, Clough spoke about current state laws regarding funding. "It is time for a state-wide discussion on how the state is funding [education]," he said.

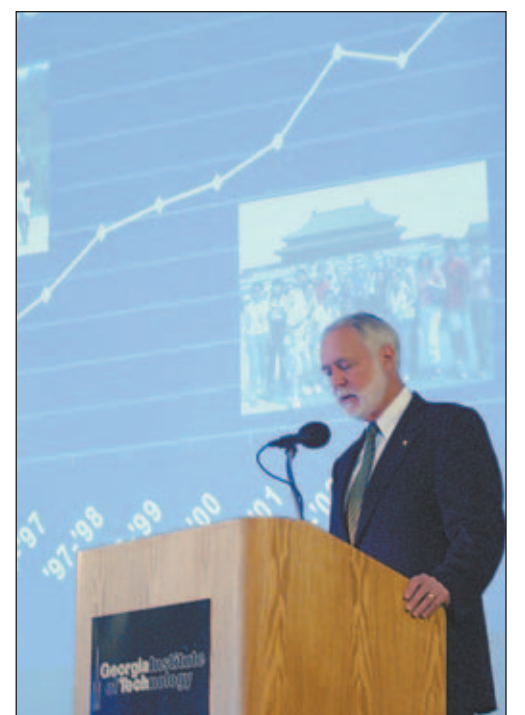
Students attending the address believed that Clough is legitimately concerned with funding issues.

Leroy Campbell, SGA co-chair of public relations, said, "It seems like he is dedicated to maintaining the quality of education and is doing an excellent job of keeping [Tech] competitive."

Clough also spoke of other issues.

He said Tech faculty has made significant achievements in the past year. Thirteen new faculty members won CAREER Awards and two new members were

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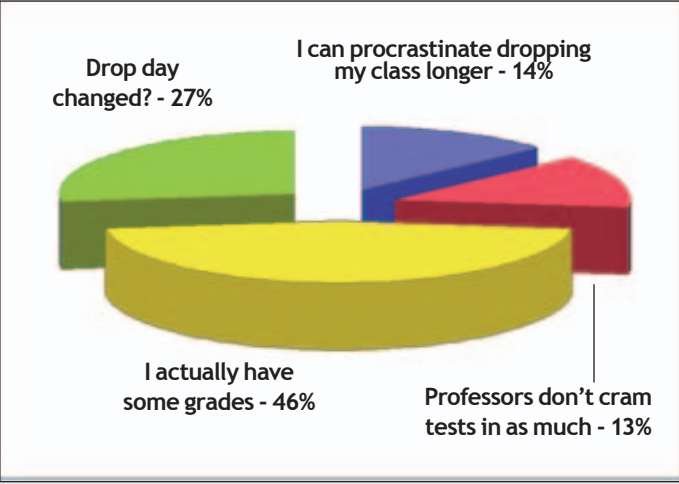


By Derrick Ma / STUDENT PUBLICATIONS

Institute President Wayne Clough delivers the State of the Institute address Tuesday.

TechniqueOnline Voice your opinion!

Last issue's question received 107 responses.
What do you like most about a later Drop Day?



By Lauren Griffin / STUDENT PUBLICATIONS

This week's question:
Bush or Kerry?
Tell us at www.nique.net



Controlled substances	
10/5/2004	6:37:00 hrs.
Location: Techwood Dr. @ Fourth St.	
Incident: Offender arrested for possession of Ecstasy with intent to distribute.	
Theft	
10/5/2004	16:54:00 hrs.
Location: Paul Weber building	
Incident: Report of a stolen computer and printer.	
10/7/2004	9:31:00 hrs.
Location: 947 Atlantic Dr.	
Incident: Report of a stolen trailer.	

From the files of the GTPD...
Crime Reports

Theft (continued)	
10/7/2004	16:33:00 hrs.
Location: Skiles bike rack	
Incident: Offender arrested for criminal attempt/theft by taking.	
10/8/2004	19:04:00 hrs.
Location: Woodruff parking lot	
Incident: Report of a stolen 1994 GMC 1500 truck.	
10/10/2004	11:38:00 hrs.
Location: Curran parking deck	
Incident: Report that three lug nuts were stolen.	
10/10/2004	19:46:00 hrs.
Location: 879 Hemphill Ave.	
Incident: Report of a stolen wheel.	
10/10/2004	21:41:00 hrs.
Location: Glenn Residence Hall	
Incident: Report of a stolen bicycle.	
Harassment	
10/5/2004	8:46:00 hrs.
Location: College Optical Center	
Incident: Report of harassing phone calls.	
Traffic accident	
10/6/2004	10:04:00 hrs.
Location: Dalney St. @ Ferst Dr.	
Incident: Report of a two-vehicle accident (no reported injuries).	
10/6/2004	18:02:00 hrs.
Location: Atlantic Dr. @ Peachtree Place	
Incident: Report of a one-vehicle accident (injuries reported).	
10/9/2004	20:51:00 hrs.
Location: Eighth St.	
Incident: Report of a two-vehicle accident (no injuries reported).	

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I can do 100 push-ups in 20 minutes.
God I love being a turtle.
BOOBS
Hey, I ride with the AK.
I swear I didn't know taking 400 techinque papers was ilegal. Can nique print some more campbell soup coupons
Wait all I have to do is buy a playboy to see a tech girl naked... sorry officer I won't freeipods.com, and I thought freecondoms.com was the best site ever
she said i was an idiot, does that mean no 2nd date?
what i have to refer 5 friends, screw this, i'll just buy one www.freebmw.com, all u have to do is refer 100000 friends
what do u mean we have no money, new building are popping up every year
To my Bio1520 Lab Section P8 TA: I want to rip your clothes off and have my way with you...you're one sexy nerd!
whether you call him red jesus or the crimson clipper, we can all agree on one thing, the kid is a pimp.
....or stalker? depends on how you look at it
omelettes are the only food at brittain that actually taste like it should...
...oh yeah french toast too
too bad im never awake early enough to get them
I understand you need to test the fire alarms but at 5 AM!! and if it was a prank by someone.. we will find you
parents get uber mad when they call and u don't answer
This is Tech, stop bitching about your Ivan All Bullsh*t!
I might not be a good writer but I can differentiate anything.
Is anyone else surprised that the over-priced, cheap quality trashy clothes store is gone from Tech Square?
4:45 am fire alarm. awesome.

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Slivers!

Council Clippings



Each week, elected members of both houses of the Student Government Association (SGA) meet to consider allocation bills and talk about campus issues. Here are summaries of those meetings.

Graduate Student Senate

Graduates consider slate of allocations to Lacrosse Club

By Stephen Baehl
News Editor

Tuesday's Graduate Student Senate meeting opened to a series of four bills from the Lacrosse Club requesting just over \$20,000 total.

According to the organization representative, club president Mike Yeager, the team missed last year's budget submission deadline, and thus had no money allocated to its budget this year. The bills, he said, were requested to compensate for this. He said they were separated by topic, done in part to make it more clear which bills drew from the Prior Year versus Capital Outlay accounts.

Yeager said the 54-member team charges \$500 dues and also earns money from alumni. The funds, he said, went toward equipment maintenance, travel and other expenses encountered throughout the year.

The first bill focused on \$9,325 worth of operational supplies and expenses. After little discussion, the bill was amended to \$7,860 and passed.

The second bill requested \$3,000 to help pay for four coaches. However, senator Priyanka Rohatgi questioned Yeager on this number, saying the women's lacrosse team

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| • Joint allocation to Men's Lacrosse Club (b) |
| • Joint allocation to Men's Lacrosse Club (c) |
| • Joint allocation to Men's Lacrosse Club (d) (\$0) |
| • Joint allocation to Chinese Student Association (\$0) |
| • Joint allocation to TEAM Buzz Community Service Day |
| • Appointments to Joint Campus Organization Committee |
| • Appointment of Graduate Student Senator |

- | Bills failed, tabled or withdrawn |
|-------------------------------------------------------------|
| • Joint allocation to Georgia Tech Music Listening Room (T) |

only had one coach.

"If you see a men and women's game, they're almost completely different," Yeager said. "The only similarity is really the stick and ball." He said the men's team required the coaches to focus on specific areas of the game with players.

David Andersen, JFC chair, said, "We can only make recommenda-

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UHR passes nine bills before week off

By Arcadiy Kantor
Staff Writer

Undergraduate House of Representatives

The Undergraduate House of Representatives passed nine bills in a lengthy meeting Tuesday night. With no session next week as a result of Fall Break, the representatives made an effort to deal with as many bills as possible this week.

Before dealing with the bills, however, the representatives received news of the conclusion of the SGA sign issue.

After the death of the bill thanks to a mistake in the Conference Committee version last week, SGA was able to secure outside funding for the project rather than making students foot the bill.

Amy Phuong, undergraduate student body president, said that one of the reasons the organization was able to receive money that it had failed to obtain previously was the negative reaction some students had to being expected to pay for the sign.

The undergraduates then proceeded to discuss four separate bills allocating funds to the Men's Lacrosse Club.

Between all of the bills, the club asked for over \$20,000 to help cover its operating expenses. Tech's lacrosse team has over the past years won several tournaments and competed on the national level.

The large sum of money requested by the club is a result of it not yet having an SGA-granted budget for this year.

"We missed the budget deadline last year due to a computer crash the week before [it was due]," said Michael Yeager, president of the club.

Because of this, the club asked for expenses such as regional sports conference dues, coach salaries, travel to tournaments, and some equipment money.

The large total raised concerns among the representatives, however.



By Andrew Saulters / STUDENT PUBLICATIONS

At its meeting Tuesday night, UHR discussed a list of things to consider in the coming year, including opposing parking fee increases.

The club explained that the total amount they asked SGA for comes out to roughly one third of the club's budget.

One representative asked about the club's other fundraising activities, including what their dues are used for, and another wanted to know why the club was asking for significantly more money this year than last year.

Yeager explained that the Lacrosse Club's yearly fee of \$500 goes to pay for another third of the club's expenses, with the final third being taken up by alumni and company donations.

The 54-member club more than doubled in size from last year, explaining the increased funding

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| • Joint allocation to TEAM Buzz Community Service Day |
| • Joint allocation to Women's Leadership Conference |
| • Joint allocation to Joint Campus Organization Committee |



By Richard Wright / STUDENT PUBLICATIONS

Egg on your face? Laney Sowell of Alpha Gamma Delta breaks an egg over a teammate's face during the Pyramid Egg Toss in the Burger Bowl on Tuesday. This and many other events for Tech students to enjoy took place around campus during the week leading up to this weekend's homecoming game.

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tions based on policy," he said, "and we could not make recommendations to cut these because it conforms to policy."

Still, a motion to amend the bill to \$1,500 was quickly carried, and the bill passed soon thereafter.

The third bill asked for for \$3,000 of travel expenses for four away games and a tournament; JFC recommended cutting funding for the tournament travel cost since there was no guarantee the team would qualify.

At this point, senator Ed Greco spoke up about the amount of money the bills altogether requested, saying

the grads should consider how much they spend on the club.

It was also noted that, according to last year's budget policy, travel requests would not have been funded if they were included in budgets. Since this was a bill, however, the measure still passed, amended per JFC to \$2,310.

The last bill for the club, however, proved to be one too many for the graduates to pass. The bill asked for \$5,400 for equipment.

Two points proved to be the bill's downfall. Greco pointed out that funding everything they had thus far and this bill would essentially give the team its entire budget, despite the late request. There should be some penalty, he said, for coming

to the SGA late with their budget. He again added that they fundraise plenty of money to cover some of these expenses.

Senator Karen Feigh added that the equipment requested, which included helmets and pads, seemed like personal equipment that members should purchase.

As such, the bill was amended to \$0 and passed.

The senators also amended a \$265 bill for a Chinese Student Association mixer to \$0 and passed it, due to the lack of organization fundraising. Another bill for about \$10,000 for TEAM Buzz was passed after changing some lines to indicate funding from the Capital Outlay account.

Alumni step in to help Reck parade

By Michael Handelman
Staff Writer

While the Ramblin' Reck Parade, Freshman Cake Race and Mini 500 are among the long-standing homecoming traditions, the Ramblin' Reck Club, the events' sponsors, could not find anyone to foot the bill for this year's events.

That is, until the Alumni Association stepped in with some \$2,345 financial assistance to make the traditions possible. This, added with working with the GTPD to reduce costs, will allow the events to go on like normal.

Earlier this month, changes in GTPD policy regarding the funding of external events sent the club scrambling to acquire funding for security at the club-sponsored events.

Prior to the policy change, instituted this year by Police Chief Teresa Crocker, GTPD would provide security services to some Institute events at no cost.

"In the past, the previous chief allowed monies to be spent from police budget to pay for all these extra duty events for police officers and equipment," Crocker said.

Under the new policy, however, the police department will not fund any security outside of its regular duties.

"The bottom line is that when I came in and looked at our budget and field positions...the money is not there to do all those [events], because it is a substantial amount of money

when you take into consideration all the events that are worked each year," Crocker said.

The police department offered to assist the group in obtaining the funds for the event. Crocker said she sent an email to the responsible member of the club offering "to go with you to SGA or Alumni Association or somewhere else to find this funding."

In a document provided to the *Technique* by the police department, initial cost estimates for the security for the parade, cake race and Mini 500 were around \$5,500.

This initial estimate included the costs of police personnel as well as crowd barricade rental and setup.

After viewing this estimate, the club and the police department negotiated new terms of agreement for security.

"As a group, we developed a plan that reduced the number of police officers utilized for the Mini 500 from 14 to seven, and for the Cake Races and Ramblin' Reck Parade the number of police officers was reduced from 14 to seven," said Captain Pat Wypasek.

The police also agreed to let the club find a less expensive service to rent and setup the barricades, saving the club \$500, according to Davis.

With the revised figures, the total cost was cut nearly in half to \$2,345 sans GTPD-provided barricades.

Yet, even the reduced cost of

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request.

The club also needed to do some emergency fundraising last year when it discovered it would be going to the U.S. Lacrosse Men's Division Intercollegiate Association (USLIA) national tournament with less than two weeks' notice.

"Winning the championship actually put more pressure on our finances," Yeager said.

At the time, the club raised about \$5,000, largely from the parents of players and from alumni contributions.

This year, the club asked for money to cover this trip in advance, a controversial request that met opposition from JFC.

The Lacrosse Club's equipment bill also met opposition from several reps, as many of them were afraid of setting a precedent that would allow organizations to ask SGA to cover their equipment year after year.

Concerns over the quality of the existing equipment did sway the undergraduates in favor of the bill, however.

"It's a rough sport, people die,"

said Aakash Jariwala, Physics representative.

In the end, all four bills passed by a significant margin, and the club received a majority of its requested funds.

The sums for purchases of the arm

"Winning the championship actually put more pressure on our finances."

Michael Yeager
President, men's lacrosse

pads, shoulder pads and helmets were adjusted slightly down, and certain equipment such as extra handles and tape were struck from the largest request. The travel and coach salary bills were passed in full.

The representatives also passed a bill from the Chinese Student Association, which requested \$265 for its Ultimate Mixer event.

JFC initially recommended the

bill not be funded, as they were under the impression that Tech students would be expected to fund the entire expense of an event that was freely open to students from other schools as well.

This issue was clarified by the organization representative, who explained that other schools were in fact going to contribute to the event. As a result of the explanation the bill was passed for the full amount.

Also passed was a bill allocating \$22,270 to the Music Listening Room for the purpose of replacing the second half of the room's old furniture, which had served the campus for 20 years, as well as a bill allocating over \$10,000 to TEAM Buzz for the purchase or rental of tools and other miscellaneous equipment.

The representatives then moved two bills from new business to old and voted on them after little discussion.

The result was the passage of a bill granting \$55 to the Women's Leadership Conference for a *Technique* ad and a bill to appoint new members to the Joint Campus Organizations Committee, which the undergraduates passed quickly by unanimous acclamation.

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elected to the National Academy of Engineering. "Our faculty is as great as our students," Clough said.

The achievements of the diverse student body are equally prestigious, he added. The incoming freshman class has the highest average SAT score and is the most diverse yet, with more women and minorities enrolled than ever.

He continued with more praise of the student body, including reports of scholarships won and research conducted.

"They don't stop achieving after getting here," Clough said. According to his speech, Tech students won several prestigious scholarships and

four graduates were chosen to receive NASA fellowships. "Our people are what make Georgia Tech great," he said.

Students play an important role in Tech's research as well, according to Clough, who said this creates a fertile environment for innovation.

He then spoke more on the topic of research at Tech, highlighting new facilities and projects undertaken at the Institute.

This year the Ovarian Cancer Institute opened a new research laboratory at Tech. Research programs like this, according to Clough, "humanizes our endeavors."

Clough also spoke about the notable research in the area of nanotechnology.

Tech is among 13 universities

participating in the National Nanotechnology Infrastructure Network, a system of educational and research

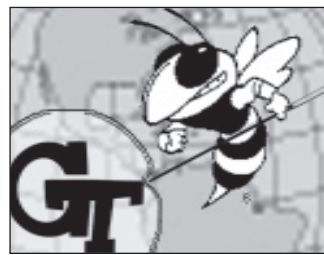
"The research being conducted is as cutting-edge as our educational programs."

Wayne Clough
Institute president

facilities of nanotechnology.

"The Research being conducted is as cutting edge as our educational

Breaking *the* Bubble



A lot of things went on outside the bubble of Tech in the past week. Here are a few important events taking place throughout the nation and the world.

Internal probe follows fireman sex scandal

Nineteen Sacramento firefighters are in trouble after being caught inappropriately using city fire engines—to meet women. Firefighters were caught cruising Sacramento bars and attending "Porn Star Costume Balls" with city fire engines in order to pick up women, and having sex inside the vehicles.

Final debate focuses on domestic issues

Fiscal policy and healthcare issues dominated Wednesday's debate, as Kerry detailed his plan

to lower healthcare costs.

Other topics of discussion included gay marriage, abortion rights, immigration policies and gun control.

FDA approves chip implant for humans

Similar to the chips found now in many pets, the VeriChip can store a variety of patient information that can easily be scanned by medical professionals.

About the size of a grain of rice, the chips can be inserted under the skin in a procedure that takes less than 20 minutes to complete.

Though current technology limits scanning access to a few feet, civil rights groups are concerned about the chip's impact on issues of privacy as technologies advance.

programs," Clough said.

Tech's programs continue to rank highly, Clough said. According to *U.S. News & World Report*, the Institute is currently ranked among the top ten public universities in the nation.

Furthermore, all engineering programs rank in the top 15. Two of the programs that rank the highest are Biomedical Engineering, which ranks second, and Industrial Engineering, which holds a No. 1 spot in the rankings.

"Essentially all of the programs are ranked in the top 10 percent of their disciplines," Clough said.

Clough also spoke about Tech's interdisciplinary programs and their contributions to innovation.

The School of Modern Languages

has 61 new programs and received the University System of Georgia Board of Regents Award for Excellence in Teaching.

Clough said he believes that students are responding to Tech's interdisciplinary programs. There was a 14 percent increase in the number of students electing to study abroad.

The programs provide unique educational experiences tailored to the location of study. Students in Angola surveyed the damage done to infrastructure by war, and in Ecuador students studied urban sprawl.

These programs allow students to "tackle real-life problems," Clough said. The ability, he said, "to share knowledge with others differentiates Tech students."

SLIVER

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hispanic people know how to party, and the girls are extremely hot!

I'm so glad people other than myself thought STAC girl was full of crap

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Protestors bring debate to campus

By Alexandra Pajak
Contributing Writer

On the afternoon of Monday, Oct. 11, men and women not affiliated with Tech protested homosexual lifestyles on Skiles Walkway. Their protest occurred just following Georgia Tech Coming Out Week (GTCOW), sponsored by PRIDE alliance. The protestors carried large signs and debated with students who approached them. One poster featured pictures of a crucified Jesus from Mel Gibson's *Passion of the Christ*. Another sign read, "Sodomy: It's to die for." Public Safety Captain James Hembry acknowledged the legality of the group's visit. "We had six people speaking out about gay beliefs," he said. "They had permission from Georgia Tech to be in the First Amendment area. They had written

permission. It was some folks talking about their religious beliefs and talking against gay folks in general. It was no problem at all." Off-campus groups are required to receive permission from Tech to protest an issue or speak publicly on campus grounds. "The university has the right to designate time and space for off-campus visitors. They would do that through the Space Planning office," said Stephanie Ray, associate dean of student affairs and diversity issues and programs coordinator. According to Ben Narsil, one of the protestors, the group is protesting

homosexuality "all week at different locations." First-year Mechanical Engineering major Anthony Coulter was among the students who argued with the protestors about their message. "I think that coming on campus the week after COW is impolite at best. Intolerance is bad. Sickening." Anthony Coulter First-year ME said, "I still think that I can make a difference." The protestors insisted upon the importance of their Biblical message. "This is the love of God for sinners,"

said Narsil, who participated in the protest with his wife and two children. "We're not condemning anybody." Narsil attends the Open Bible Tabernacle church in Marietta, Georgia. "Here at Georgia Tech there are many fornicators, many drinkers, many sodomites. We're here for Jesus Christ," said Matt Bourgault, a protester from Florida. Bourgault has attended such "open air preaching" in 25 states and at many universities, including University of California-Berkeley, as well as colleges in Maine and the Midwest. Motioning to the students congregating around the signs, he said, "This is great dialogue. Great preaching. This is about believing the Gospel." Student reaction to the protest was varied. "I'm for Bush," said Ali Soza, a Georgia State University

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the decision of whether to drop or not to drop a lot easier." Despite the date change, some students say there is still an increase in tests and exams close to the new class withdrawal date. Nishitha Andra, a sophomore Chemical Engineering major, said, "It's a little hectic towards the drop date. Definitely an increase in number [of tests]." Andra said, however, that the increase in work may have other causes. "It could be the course load that's changing." Graduate students do not appear to have been affected by the change. When asked if he has seen a difference in course load, Susheel Sukhtankar said, "Not at all. I didn't even know about it." Sukhtankar is working toward a Master's degree in Bioinformatics. "For grad students, [the date change] is totally unheard of," said Gail Rosen, a Ph.D. student in the Electrical Engineering department. "I didn't know about it."

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No one expects the Spanish Inquisition!
Yay! New computer! Yay!
Wireless internet!
Way to go athletic ASSo-
ciation. give the students
the shaft again for some
showers
I'm gonna kill the f*cktard
who pulled the Smith fire
alarm at 5 AM. He needs a
slow and painful death
Note to self: Hollowpoint
bullets pierve armor. Hol-
lowpoint oranges pierce
windows
ECE3040 Students- http://
britneyspears.ac/lasers.htm
hey women of tech: those
little ruffled skirts make your
asses look FAT and by FAT I
mean huge
W is not hot
rainy day = no classes
World of Warcraft Beta Test-
ing has destroyed my grade
at GT.
what could suck better than
a hoover...a name that must
hold up its reputation for
consistent performance
Red Mary: i'm on fire for the
most high, i'm not a virgin
mary but quite the opposite,
and yes...i used to dislike frat
guys but only cuz i didn't
know white guys are always
horny...who am i?
Maybe it should be Calvin
for president...
I wonder if this'll work
please:?
why is P.J Daniels on the side-
lines? WE NEED HIM
Ineffective administrators...
my tuition pays for your
butt to sit and do nothing???!
Do you realize that your is
to HELP students? not to
advoid them!
hey! it's saturday night and
this week's paper's not online!
what's up with that yo?!
After watching the Miami
game, if Reggie were actually
elected President, we would be
in desperate need of a recall
election.
How can a non-dead person's
butt produce such noxious
fumes?
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Midyear tuition hike avoided by last-minute negotiations

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tuition increase," Meredith told the board.

While Perdue has made a \$3.9 million adjustment of the original \$68.7 million in cuts to University System, the board still faced a \$64.8 million budget deficit when it met this Tuesday and Wednesday in the Global Learning Center at Technology Square.

In the final plan passed by the board, around \$20.3 million will be cut from all around the state's 34 campuses. Another \$27.4 million in reductions will come from shortening the University System's health care reserves from 60 days to 30 days.

An additional \$9.4 million will come from money set aside from previous years for a project that fell through.

The governor still has to ask the state legislature for permission in order to transfer that money over to the University System, however. The board is still looking for ways to make up the remaining \$7.3 million.

The approval of the \$20.3 million cut means roughly \$2 million in cuts for Tech, much less than the expected \$7 million. But the cuts still mean additional layoffs, hiring freezes and delayed purchasing and maintenance projects for Tech.

While these reductions will alleviate budget problems for this year, they are only a "one-time solution" Meredith said. The board will not be able to make these same reduc-



By Andrew Saulters / STUDENT PUBLICATIONS

Board of Regents members Martin NeSmith and Patrick Pittard listen during Tuesday's meeting. The Board decided not to raise tuition.

tions in future years, Meredith said, and long-term solutions need to be sought out.

Regents echoed these same concerns, remarking how in the past few years the board had been "playing catch up" with their budget while trying to absorb the over \$313 million in budget cuts they have received since November 2001.

"We feel quite positive about mitigating the immediate financial impact a midyear tuition increase would have had on our students," Meredith said.

"Still, we know the one-time cost-cutting solutions we have identified are frankly stop-gap measures that only temporarily solve our problems. We will have to find these dollars from other sources for our fiscal year 2006 budget," he said.

To help address long-term solutions, Meredith has appointed a "tuition task force" that will examine

long-term tuition goals at each of the three levels of higher education in Georgia. The task force will be responsible for formulating a plan by the beginning of next year and presenting their findings to the Board of Regents when they meet to decide on next year's tuition late this spring.

Previously, Meredith appeared to be in favor of proposing a 10 percent

midyear tuition increase to make up for the \$68.4 million in cuts enforced upon the University System by Perdue after he decided to scratch plans for a one-day payroll shift that had been proposed in the state's original

budget.

The payroll shift, called an accounting gimmick by many, could have affected Georgia state bonds and interest rates, according to the A/C.

The Chancellor's plan to avoid a midyear tuition increase came as a

surprise, but also a relief to many.

Even Amy Phuong, undergraduate student body president, who has battled alongside other Georgia student leaders against the increase and other budget cuts, was taken by surprise by the Chancellor's announcement.

"I never expected this particular outcome to happen," Phuong said, "It was a surreal moment because everything happened so quickly."

Phuong, along with UGA student body president Adam Sparks, had the opportunity to address the Board on Tuesday and represent the student voice in the frenzied talks about tuition increases and budget cuts.

Touching mainly on the budget cuts' effects on the quality of education found at their respective schools, Phuong and Sparks also spoke about the students' campaign against budget cuts.

Last Friday, Phuong, Sparks and about 150 other students held a rally in front of the Capitol. Protesting the budget cuts and the possible tuition increase, students held signs and listened to impassioned speeches from various student leaders from around the state.

The rally, which lasted roughly three hours, was capped off by the delivery of the state-wide student petition. The students also presented alternative solutions brought up in their last meeting with Perdue.

According to Mallory Grebel, vice president of UGA's student government, among the six solutions presented were having a 1.5 percent budget cut across the board, giving tax incentives for businesses hiring Georgia graduates and urging legislators to put more money in higher education.

"We are not stopping just now," Phuong said, as SGA plans to continue lobbying for higher education. "We want to ensure that the governor puts higher education as a top priority—by putting his money where his mouth is."

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police services exceeded the financial resources of the club, who only has one outside sponsor this year, BP. Thus, the club sought out Institute resources to foot the bill.

"President [Wayne] Clough was contacted, and he referred us to Dr. Schafer, who referred us to the Alumni Association," Davis said.

Ultimately, the Alumni Association provided the stop-gap funds to allow the event to continue this year.

"Within the last day or so," David said, "it seems like [funding] was resolved," she said.

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student who was on campus at the time of the protests. "If gay marriage is allowed, they should allow cow marriage. I've never heard of non-straight marriage."

Narsil also seemed to notice a difference in opinions of students in reaction to their presence. He said "international students" appeared to have more support for their message than the "nationals," people from the United States.

Narsil said opposition to their message against homosexuality "speaks to apathy."

Some students expressed humor at the situation. "I think it's funny," said a Tech student who declined to give his name.

Transfer student Joy Pearson said, "It's odd they're claiming to be good Christians, but they're preaching hate...they should be talking to Congress, not to us."

Felix Hu, a member of Tech's Pride organization, said the protests are a reflection of the "current times" in the country's political climate. Regarding GTCOW, Hu said, "We had a great amount of student support. That was unprecedented in the past."

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Quote of the week:
*"I am a strong believer in luck
 and I find the harder I work
 the more I have of it."*
 —Benjamin Franklin

OUR VIEWS CONSENSUS OPINION

Power play

Earlier this week, the Board of Regents decided against a midyear tuition increase. The announcement came on the heels of last Friday's protest at the Georgia Capitol and the delivery of a petition protesting the cuts that had been signed by tens of thousands of students statewide.

The Regents' decision is a triumph for college students statewide. Publicly, neither the Board of Regents nor the governor cited the petition or protest as a reason for their decisions. But student activism, along with intense media and public scrutiny, unquestionably played a vital role in avoiding an unprecedented midyear tuition increase. We applaud the actions of all students who worked tirelessly for this cause, whether from student government, RHA, Greek organizations or no organization at all.

The results show that the petition and protest were not a fruitless waste of time. They prove that, when roused to action and properly organized, we represent a powerful force capable of effecting real change in the state.

While the battle was won, the war continues. Higher education faces continued budget pressure. The new task force that is being created to examine long-term tuition levels represents an opportunity for student leaders. Lobbying efforts, coordinated with Institute administrators, should be focused on conveying student concerns to members of this task force.

Faculty progress reports

We encourage faculty and administrators to make midterm course evaluations an Institute priority.

Just as students get a midterm progress report, so too should faculty members. Every professor should ask their students three questions: what am I doing right, what am I doing wrong and what would you like to see more of? This admittedly small step achieves two things. First, it allows professors to fine-tune their teaching style to suite the unique dynamic of an individual class. Second, it gives students a feeling of empowerment and the chance to offer meaningful, constructive criticism.

Since end-of-term course evaluations are one of the measures used to determine tenure status, faculty members would find it advantageous to read unofficial student reviews earlier. This way it would give professors a chance to bring up their marks, while improving our educational experience. These evaluations would also be a small step on the road toward improved academic rankings, since professors' performances and perceptions of approachability play a key role in national rankings.

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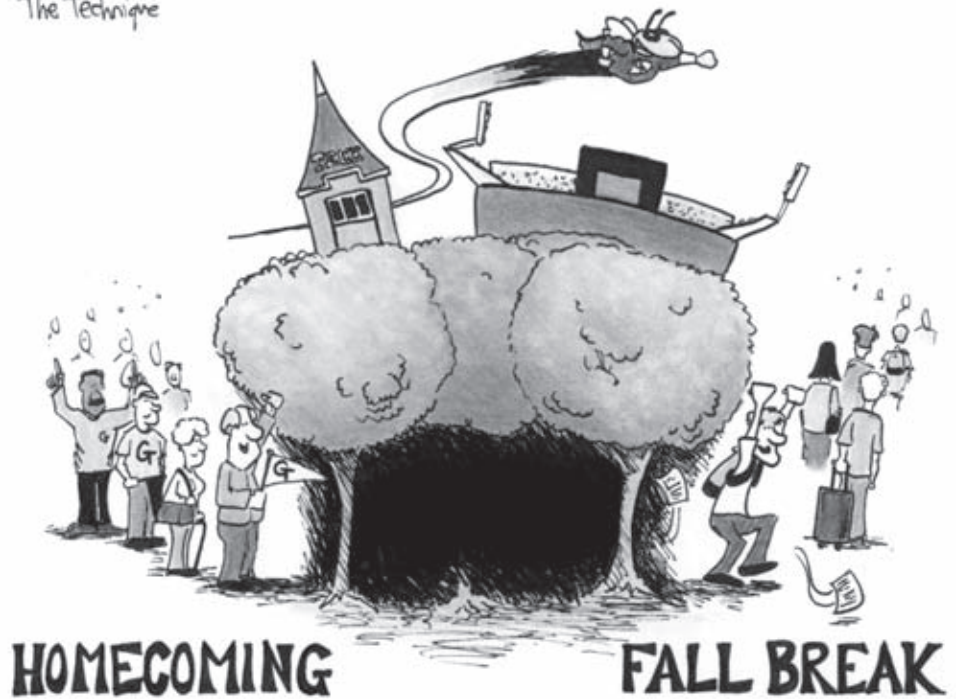
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By Brian Lewis / STUDENT PUBLICATIONS

Student orgs need to open doors

Involvement is so hot right now. Leadership is even hotter, with loads of money waiting to be allocated to leadership classes, student organizations and other motivated groups. Tossing large chunks of capital around demands that the current system of organizational involvement and recruitment face careful scrutiny. Many of the already involved probably fail to note any flaws in the status quo, but vast amounts of anecdotal evidence suggest otherwise.

General feeling on campus seems to be that if you aren't involved in something by your second year, you don't have much hope to become involved in something down the road.

This problem can be especially challenging for the out-of-town co-op student, who has a disjointed five years to commit to an organization, or the transfer student who is thrown into the heap halfway through their college career (excluding standouts like our own student body president).

It's hard to take the big push for campus involvement seriously when it's being pushed by those already super-involved, by the organizations whose membership includes the same 100 people that also belong to every other "high-level" organization.

It's hard to take the push seriously when one can't break the organizational bubble his or her second year and when experience seems to count more than potential, passion, time availability and demonstrated ability in places other than extracurricular activities. This is, of course, not referring to honor societies and the like with specific previous-experience requirements.

I'll admit, I could probably be considered a part of this "organizational elite" that I'm describing, having been a member of stereotypical "it" groups, like Freshman Council (FC) and a sorority, among others.



**"It's hard to have hope
 for change when most
 organizations are made up
 of elites serving elites..."**

Jennifer Schur
 Executive Editor

So please take my words from the vantage point of someone who's become frustrated with the system and has grown old enough to realize that there's a better way to accomplish things around here.

Speaking of freshman organizations, general opinion seems to indicate that FC, FreShGA and FAB (the "Top Three Freshman Orgs") are elitist and self-serving groups that exist solely to act in their own self-interest. They act as feeder organizations to the "Big Time" organizations. The Big Timers—high profile groups plagued with organizational inbreeding—seem to reward names associated with these "prestigious" freshman groups, regardless of individual effort.

Beyond the fact that the process of becoming a part of the Top Three is arbitrary at best, the idea that their members have some sort of assumed talent and extraordinary ability over their peers who are not members is ludicrous.

The thought that the Top Three do much more than just develop their members is just part of the hype; the Top Three mostly serve to connect their members with the organizational elite and breed them to become the next class of the elite.

I loved my time with Freshman Council, and wouldn't trade it even though it is associated with so many negative connotations. At the same time, I recognize it for what it was. FC helped me find my direction at

Tech and gave me the tools to follow that direction. The travesty, though, is that not every freshman receives such an opportunity for discovery.

Extracurricular activities should be an outlet for students to grow as people, to discover their passions and to develop a support system of friends and confidants, while contributing to the goals of the organization, not to serve as resume fodder or a way to shake the "right" peoples' hands to get to the "right" place.

Understanding that it's not that simple, that organizations are of a limited size for very good reason—monetary, operationally, feasibility—there must be ways to make the recruitment process more fair.

There must be a way to change the stereotype that older students, transfer students and co-op students are not welcome within the organizational hierarchy of this campus.

Organizations can take steps to change their memberships' mindset and to begin actively seeking potential instead of rewarding bulleted lists of previous involvement. The details of your group's recruitment process should be made open to the members of the organization such that, when possible, each member has input in membership selections. Perhaps the written application should be taken more seriously as a reflection of what each applicant has to offer and employ group, task-based

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Don't sweat it; dropping a class isn't so bad

Another semester, another class dropped. It's starting to become a trend. I keep thinking that I will eventually get over the "hump" and that school will begin to get easier, but I've been here three years and it hasn't happened yet.

What is worse is that I don't really have any easy classes left to take. All that is left for me is advanced mechanical engineering courses and a few artsy electives (you know, the kind that are annoyingly difficult for all the wrong reasons). I can see myself barely getting by with taking 12 hours each semester from here until graduation. That is what I did this semester, which makes it all the more embarrassing that I had to drop a course.

It has been my experience that the first exam for any particular class is the most dangerous. Unless your professor has given you exams from previous semesters, you generally have no idea what to expect. Generally, when a person has no idea what to expect for a first exam, at least one of two things will happen. They will either study unnecessarily hard or will completely and utterly fail the test.

If the latter happens, odds are you will seriously consider dropping the class. The first exam in a class is generally a good indicator of whether or not you



"So look on the bright side. By dropping a class, you not only get to keep your sanity..."

Jamie Howell
Photography Editor

are cut out for that class. If you do horribly on the first exam and you honestly don't think there is any hope for salvation in the class, don't be afraid to drop it. It is much better to take a lighter load, maintain a decent GPA, and keep your sanity than to overextend yourself (physically and emotionally) and do poorly in your classes.

I have witnessed firsthand the effects of overloading oneself academically and they aren't pretty. I'm sure most people know someone who fits the description. They take between 16 and 20 hours as a part of this crazy plan to get out of college as soon as they possibly can. They are constantly complaining about how stressed they are and how they never have any time for anything. They start to lose social contact with their friends. People start saying things like "Whatever happened to John?" I haven't seen him in months."

"Oh, you didn't hear? He's taking 20 hours." I can't imagine anyone having an enjoyable college experience under such circumstances. If you ever find yourself in a similar situation, dropping a class is probably the best thing you could do for yourself.

In addition to the social and health benefits that go along with relieving yourself of an excessive class load, there are also academic benefits.

There are two big things working in your favor when you take a class for the second time. First of all, you know exactly what to expect on the dreaded first exam in the class. Because of this, and the fact that you've seen the introductory material twice, you'll likely get off to a much better start the second time around.

Secondly, the experience you gained from taking classes from the previous semester will likely

help you in the class you had to drop. I am speaking from experience here. I, personally, have managed to make Bs the second time around in all of the classes I have had to drop.

As a general disclaimer, just about anything can be overdone. Dropping classes is no exception.

If you've been here three years and you still have 1000-level core classes in your schedule, then it's time to either start studying a little harder or looking into another major.

So look on the bright side. By dropping a class here and there, you not only keep your sanity, but you get to enjoy college a while longer as well. Stop laughing, I'm serious. College is supposed to be the best years of a person's life. Granted, it's not quite the same at Tech as more academically relaxed schools, but the premise is the same.

Going out with friends, dating, attending sporting events, just acting goofy for the heck of it—all of this stuff is a lot easier when you aren't having to work 40 hours a week to make a living.

You may think you hate this school now, but I can almost promise that sometime in the future you will look back and wonder why you thought it was so bad.

BUZZ

Around the Campus

What is your favorite Homecoming event?



Kim Cooper
AE Junior

"I like the Ramblin' Reck Parade."



Matt Quilliams
MGT Senior

"When Buzz stung me at the football game."



Maggie Arrington
INTA Junior

"The Mini 500."



Chris Hannemann
ME Junior

"The Freshman Cake Race"

Photos by Ethan Trehwitt

OUR VIEWS HOT OR NOT

HOT- or -NOT



Drop away

In years past, drop day came so fast that it was hard to take advantage of the freebie, but this year was a different story. Thanks to the efforts of student leaders last year, drop day was moved back two weeks this year. The later date enabled students to get out of bad situations faster than you can say "shaft." With over 3,400 courses dropped, students can finally get a good night's sleep and not fret over GPAs.



Not super timing

This week students have a tough decision to make—take a fall break or stick around for homecoming. Students shouldn't have to choose between going on vacation or cheering for the Jackets. Organizers should have taken the timing into consideration before they planned this year's festivities. For homecoming to remain a cherished tradition, it needs to serve as a diversion from classes, not vacations.



Give us shelter

Just when we had resigned ourselves to exposure to the elements while waiting for the Stinger and Trolley at Ferst & Atlantic, Tech surprised us by adding a bus shelter. No longer will students get drenched on rainy days in that area. Now if only someone could eliminate Trolley congestion.



Braves stomped

Coming off the heels of an exciting Tech win over Maryland, we had hoped to see our beloved Braves go on to the National League Championship Series. We had been looking forward to a possible matchup against the Red Sox or Yankees. Maybe next year will bring happier times for Chipper Jones and crew.

YOUR VIEWS LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Voter turnout misrepresented

[Editor's Note: This letter responds to the Oct. 1 article on the Graduate Student Senate election results.]

As an INTA graduate senator, I feel compelled to tell you that I was astounded that [the article] relied on mere raw numbers to decide which academic department received the most and the least votes. I find that method to be highly flawed.

The article mentioned that the Chemistry senator got the highest votes, though she got only 34 votes out of 220 Graduate students enrolled in the Chemistry department. In essence, she received only 16 percent of the total possible votes.

By merely looking at the raw numbers, your method results in a highly skewed and flawed output.

There are graduate departments, like the INTA department, that are striving to get involved in the graduate student

body. Although I got only 18 votes, there are only 52 Graduate INTA students enrolled, giving me about 35 percent of the total possible votes.

Even my opponent, who got 10 votes, did better than the Chemistry senator by grabbing 19 percent of the total possible votes. In addition, the voter turnout in my department was about 53 percent, which I would argue was one of the highest voter turnouts.

I felt that the article completely sidelines the efforts made by a few departments on our campus that try their best to get their graduate students involved in on-campus activities. Not to mention, it sends out a completely wrong message that graduate students are generally not interested in getting involved.

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Students need to continue fight for higher education

[Editor's Note: This guest editorial is in response to the recent decision by the Board of Regents to use other methods besides a midyear tuition increase to deal with budget cuts.]

It's not over yet.

While the battle to stop a mid-year tuition increase was won by the students, the war to maintain the quality of higher education still remains.

Let us not stop here when our efforts are strong and our voice has just begun to reverberate across the state.

Let us show top state officials that we, the students, mean business and will fight for our rights.

Take that same passion that compelled you to sign the petition, to get your friends on board, rally behind your fellow peers and continue to show that the quality of higher education should be a top priority.

The future of Georgia depends on it.

For my fellow HOPE recipients, why should you care?

Well, I could say that myself given the fact that not only am I on HOPE but graduating in the spring also.

However, this fight was not just about our pocketbook, although that was the easiest way to relate to the students. But rather, it's about protecting the size of our classrooms, the academic excellence of our professors, the climbing growth of our national rankings, and the

prominent seal on our degrees.

Students, I urge you to continue to promote the quality of higher education by writing to your local legislatures and the Governor.

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'Healthy' fast food an oxymoron

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(U-WIRE) LAWRENCE, Kan.— College students eat fast food for breakfast, lunch, dinner and even between meals. Fast food is only a part of America's obesity issue, but college students must become aware of the problem. The Centers for Disease Control reported in 2003 that the prevalence of obesity among adults ages 20 through 74 nearly doubled from 15 percent in 1976 through 1980 to 28 percent in 1999 to 2000.

Despite our best intentions to eat a healthy diet, cravings and the demands of school, work and time send us in search of the quick fast food fix. No one can stop you from eating fast food, so here are some tips for when you have your next burger-and-fries craving.

A regular-size burger provides two servings of grain, 3 ounces of

protein and 260 calories, which is just right for a single meal. But if you switch from a regular burger to a Big Mac value meal with large fries and a large Coca-Cola, your calorie total soars to 1,400 calories -- almost a day's worth of calories for the average college student. Either take home leftovers for another meal or buy smaller portions. Even though the larger sizes don't cost much more you may end up super-sizing your waist and your value meal.

So watch how much fried food you eat. Even fish sandwiches are rarely healthy, because they are usually fried. Items that are baked, broiled, roasted or grilled are better choices. But ask for the sauces on the side so you control how many extra calories, fat and carbohydrates you eat.

Even if you choose healthy main dishes you can destroy your hard work by ordering a big drink. Skip the sodas and you'll save tons of

calories.

A super-sized 42-ounce pop or fruit drink will set you back 410 calories. It would be more, but you get a lot of ice.

Take the time to make good decisions about what you eat and where. Don't let the closeness to home, school or work dictate where you eat.

Look at your options and for places where your food is made to order so you can control the amounts. Consider ordering large salads, but don't spoil them with high-fat dressings. Roast beef, turkey and chicken sandwiches are often better than a burger.

Ask for nutrition information or visit fast-food Web sites to know what you are eating. To make the comparison simple, check out three popular options at five different restaurants below by grams of fat, grams of protein, grams of carbohydrates and calories.

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challenge interviews.

Change will only happen if each of us takes it upon ourselves to search for the elements of a good member in the ability and promise of the applicants both inside and outside other student organizations.

It's hard to have hope for change when most organizations are made up of elites serving elites, and today's leaders reap the benefits of the current system's structure. But I think we can

do it. I think we can positively impact the negative perception of "power," pop open the student organization bubble, and show the campus that everyone with genuine interest and a willingness to work is welcome.

In the meantime, students interested in getting involved should accept the fact that the flawed status quo exists, but they can begin their involvement by contributing to groups that do not limit membership. Some such organizations include: all student publications, service organizations (like MOVE), SGA

committees, campus political parties, GT Student Foundation and sports clubs, just to name the few that immediately came to mind.

If we, as campus leaders, continue to shut the door on excited potential members with a willingness to commit, we are merely shutting the door on an opportunity for growth. We're not only slamming shut an opportunity for our organizations to grow, but also an opportunity to afford individuals the chance to grow. And isn't that the greatest purpose an organization can have?

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THAT'S THE (NIGHT)LIFE

Techies are no stranger to all-nighters, but our sleep-deprived *Nique* writer shows there's more going on at 3 a.m. than just studying. **Page 13**

PUPPETS + PARODY = PERFECT

South Park creators Trey Parker and Matt Stone have traded cartoons for puppets in *Team America*, their hilarious, controversial new movie. **Page 20**



Midterm course surveys beneficial, but rare

By Jennifer Lee
Focus Editor

It's hardly the end of the semester, but already, a few professors have their students filling out course evaluations.

These professors are giving out these "midterm" evaluations with the rationale that they might be more useful, and more appropriate, at this point in the semester than at the end.

The idea is not new. Pinar Keskinocak, an assistant professor in the School of Industrial and Systems Engineering, has taught at Tech for six years, and has given out midterm course evaluations each semester to each of her classes.

"I find it very helpful in terms of seeing how the students are grasping the material, [and] if they're happy with the assignments," she said. "It gives me a chance to adjust things if necessary, at least for the remaining half of the semester."

Trace Hawkins, an instructor in the College of Management, also gave a midterm evaluation. "At the [College of Management], we get judged based on our evaluations at the end of the year, so there's no reason to be surprised—you might

as well find out if you're doing a poor job halfway," he said. "Why wait until the end of the semester to find out that you've screwed up?"

According to Hawkins, though there's no formal requirement in his department to conduct midterm surveys, younger faculty with less teaching experience are encouraged to do so.

Maria Schilpzand, another instructor in the College of Management, agreed that midterm course evaluations were beneficial for faculty with less experience.

"The longer you teach, the more you know what the right format is to learn," she said. "When you first start out, there's always room for

improvement...constructive feedback is definitely helpful."

However, according to Keskinocak, who teaches ISYE3104

semester, a midterm evaluation can be beneficial even for an experienced teacher.

"I'm teaching this course for the fourth time," she said. "Even though I have a good idea of what works and what doesn't work, I still do it because...each class is a different character."

This "character," Keskinocak said, can be influenced by factors such as having prerequisites taught by different professors, for example.

"Every class is different, every semester is different," Schilpzand said.

Asif Kazani, a fourth-year Industrial Engineering major and a student in Keskinocak's class, felt

strongly that a midterm course evaluation was beneficial.

"I was really astonished when she gave us the [survey]."

Asif Kazani
Fourth-year IE major

Indeed, most students say professors who give midterm course evaluations are the

exception.

Sarah Hancock, a third-year Electrical Engineering major, said one of her professors did an informal survey through a class discussion, but that it was the first time any of her professors had done so.

Despite the informal nature of the survey, Hancock said it was still beneficial. "We talked about his substitute, and how he needs to give us his notes," she said.

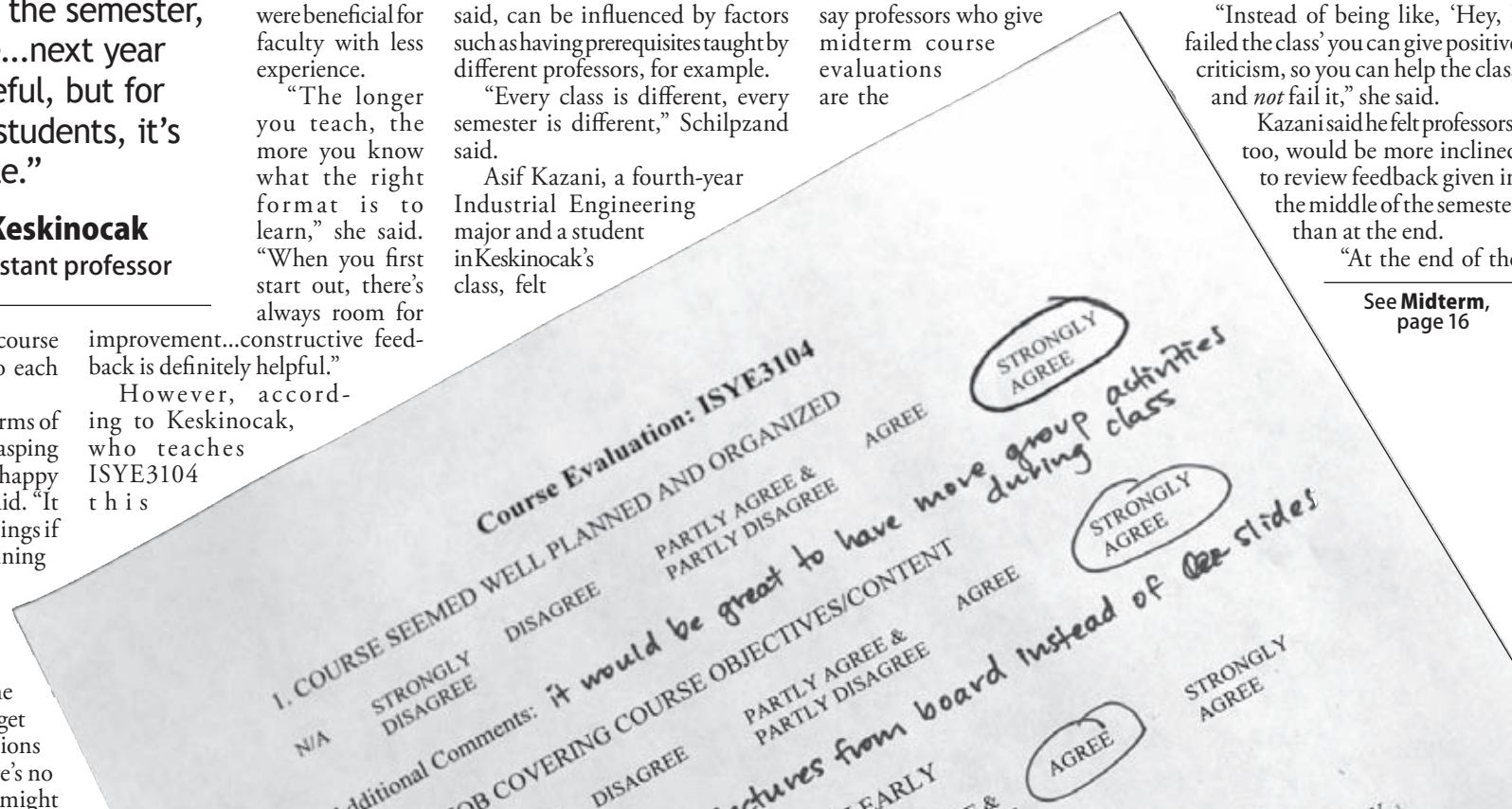
Hancock added that midterm course evaluations made more sense for students than end-of-semester ones.

"Instead of being like, 'Hey, I failed the class' you can give positive criticism, so you can help the class and *not* fail it," she said.

Kazani said he felt professors, too, would be more inclined to review feedback given in the middle of the semester than at the end.

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Administrators' salaries not exempt from cuts

By Joshua Cuneo
Senior Staff Writer

In the wake of additional budget cuts recently proposed by Governor Sonny Perdue, the entire Tech community has been scrambling to find ways to offset the financial impact to the Institute.

Additional staff layoffs, expanded class sizes and increased tuition rates have all been thrown around as possible options, leading, in the latter case, to a meeting between the governor and student body presidents from across the state.

Yet one option that has not received as much attention is cuts to the existing salaries of top-level administrators, or, at the very least, scaling back their pay raises. The idea is that these administrators, who earn annual salaries of well over \$100,000, could afford the loss, which would lessen the financial burden on the rest of the Institute.

This is a proposal that has stirred some discussion after Dan Embree, a professor of English at Mississippi State University, published an editorial detailing the salary increases of the faculty, staff and administration over the past five years. He noted a 53.3 percent pay raise for the president while the faculty received an

average raise of only percent.

"The situation that Embree describes is...a national problem," said Mike S. Adams, a professor of Criminal Justice at the University of North Carolina at Wilmington, in an online post at radicalacademy.com last June. "I have written previously about the elitist mindset of administrators at my university."

Similar figures are present in the University of Georgia System.

"We had our salaries frozen the year before last."

Gary May
Executive Assistant to the President

According to the *Atlanta Journal-Constitution*, the Board of Regents had approved a \$180,000 salary increase for Medical College of Georgia President Dan Rahn just before they heard about the Governor's budget cuts, bringing his total salary to \$527,000. The report added that salaries of the presidents of all four University System of Georgia

research universities have increased by 65 percent to 100 percent since 2000.

"I understand you have to pay a price for education," Gerald Heavens, a junior at Clayton College and State University and president of its Student Government Association, told the *AJC*. "At some point, that price doesn't need to increase because individuals won't make sacrifices themselves."

However, according to Gary May, executive assistant to the President, even the salaries of Tech's top administrators have been affected by the budget cuts. There have been no large salary increases in the administration in at least two years.

"We had our salaries frozen the year before last," May said. "This past year, the state put a two percent raise into the budget, and so...we gave all the faculty and staff a two percent [average] raise."

May added, "We haven't done anything where there's been a tremendous increase in any particular administrator's salary."

However, that still raises the possibility of reducing the current salaries of the administration and faculty in order to avoid layoffs. But

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By Jamie Howell / STUDENT PUBLICATIONS

Despite controversy around the country regarding university administrators receiving raises in the face of budget cuts, Gary May, Executive Assistant to the President, says that's not the case at Tech.

Tech Up Close

CAN YOU FIGURE OUT WHERE ON CAMPUS THIS PICTURE WAS TAKEN?

Last week's Tech Up Close:

Eta Kappa Nu keystone in front of Van Leer

Last week's winner:

Irene Chow



THIS WEEK'S PHOTO:



By Julia Bunch / STUDENT PUBLICATIONS

Email focus@technique.gatech.edu for a chance to win a free student combo at Lil' Dinos.

The diary of an all-nighter

A sleepless 'Nique writer stays up late to find out what students really do at three in the morning

By Tricia Breed
Contributing Writer

Staying up well past midnight is nothing unusual for Tech students—but are tests and homework always the reason for the insomnia?

I decided to stay awake myself and wander around campus to see what students are really up to during the wee hours of the morning and their opinion about Tech's late-night atmosphere.

11:42 p.m.: Campus Recreation Center

Students exiting the CRC around this time gave mixed reactions when asked if a late night workout was a regular part of their schedule.

"The CRC should be open later... until around 2 a.m. would be good, especially on weekends," said Rachel Fincher, a second-year International Affairs and Modern Languages major, "That is when I have time to cut loose and play some basketball."

11:48 p.m.: SAC Field

Even this close to midnight, there were several intramural practices being held on the SAC fields.

Why so late? Davis Kim, a fourth-year Industrial Engineering major, explained, "The field clears up around 11 p.m. because then the actual flag football games are over."

Kim said that he doesn't mind the late-night practices, even though as a commuter, he has to get up around

5 a.m. to get to Tech in time for his 8 a.m. class. "You have to have some free time," he said.

12:35 a.m.: Student Center

There were very few people in the Student Center at this time: 11 in the computer lab, and three studying at tables.

Asma Rifay, a third-year pre-med and Management major, took a break from studying to comment about the places available to Tech students that function as 24-hour study facilities.

According to Rifay, there is a great need to renovate the library. "Students spend so much time there, and Tech spends their efforts building a new [Fifth Street] bridge and a new recreation center," Rifay said. "But what about renovating our study facilities?"

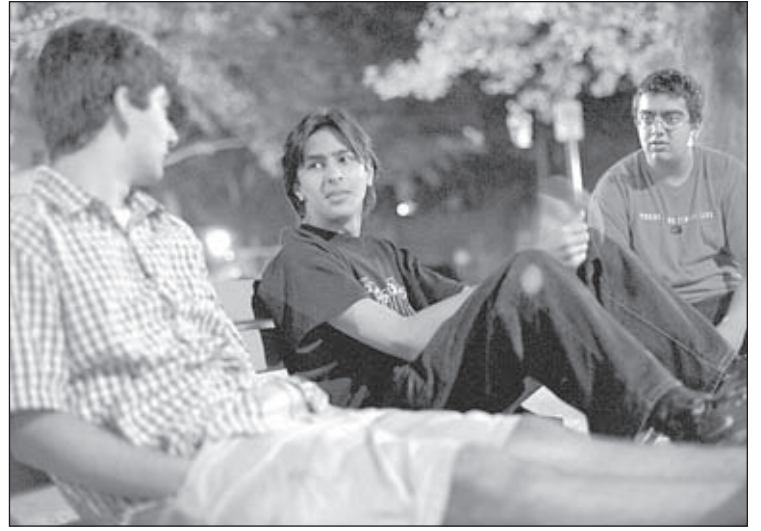
1:00 a.m.: Yellow Jacket Park

The first evidence of homecoming week was found here, as three members of Delta Sigma Phi fraternity practiced for two of the homecoming field events.

John Kelly, a second-year Computer Science major, was making a valiant effort to first spin around a bat 10 times and then complete a standing broad jump.

Jeff Geisert, a first-year Industrial Engineering major, and Tom Fairchild, a third year Mechanical Engineering major, practiced for the punt, pass and kick event.

"We didn't have any time during the day to practice," Fairchild said. "I always say that I am going to stay up late tonight and get to bed early tomorrow...but that never happens."



By Andrew Saulters / STUDENT PUBLICATIONS

Freshmen Lalit Kapoor, Shyam Mehta and Rishab Malhotra wait outside of Fitten Residence Hall to take a Stinger to East Campus.

1:45 a.m.: East Campus

During a drive through East Campus, nothing was more evident than the efforts being made to "pomp." Greeks were still out in force, constructing their displays out of chicken wire, wood and tissue paper for the homecoming

still outside their dorms on West Campus as well, but not because they were completing homecoming displays.

Freshman Andrew Butterfield was hanging out in the courtyard between Caldwell and Folk.

"I like how quiet it is later at night," he said. "[I] can actually get things accomplished." In fact, Butterfield says he and his friends are "just waking up around midnight."

Students were also outside waiting for late-night food. During the 10 minutes I spent in the courtyard, there were three deliveries made.

"Woodruff should be open later at night, even if they just serve pizza and hamburgers," said Reed Lovell, a first-year Industrial Engineering major. "Some cheaper late-night food options would be nice."

"2:22 a.m.: West Campus. During the 10 minutes I spent in the courtyard, there were three [food] deliveries made."

contest.

Tony Le, a fifth-year Electrical Engineering and Management double major and a brother of Pi Kappa Phi, said, "Staying up late to finish the display is one of the best parts of homecoming week. You just get to hang out with your friends and work on something fun."

2:22 a.m.: West Campus

There were numerous students

3:02 a.m.: Library West Commons

At 3 a.m., the library was very populated, with the LWC around 50 percent full. Most students I spoke with had either homework due or a test the following day.



By Andrew Saulters / STUDENT PUBLICATIONS

Andrei Bersatti studies Embedded Systems Design at West Side Diner, one of the few options besides delivery for late-night food.

SLIVER

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I saw Red Jesus walking on water in the Campanile Crimson Clipper, do you bleed green?

Chan, if your team doesn't plan to show up for their games, I'd like to borrow them for a while.

OUR FOOTBALL TEAM SUCKS!

They stray kitten on East Campus has a name: and it is Charcoal... respect the Charcoal, it's a mafia cat Attention most of you TA's: Learn to speak english BEFORE you try to teach.

I wonder if he knows that I'm cheating...

I wonder if she knows that I am cheating on her.

Impeach Phuong!

I'm aramblin' gamblin' HELL OF A MANAGEER!

To all those complaining how the volleyball team has great locker rooms already: how many of you have actually seen them? Thanks for now shutting up

Why are the football lights still on at 2:41 a.m. after the Miami game?

Yay for parent's weekend to watch us lose!

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May said that because Tech is dedicated to preserving the core activities of teaching and research, layoffs are preferable to pay cuts.

“What will happen is you get attrition,” he said. “People will leave [if you cut their salaries, and] there are a lot of other institutions that would like to hire some of our folks... If we want to remain competitive, I think when we start thinking about cutting salaries, that’s not the way.”

Preserving the current faculty and administration is so critical, he said, that despite the budget cuts, the Institute still has the resources to counter offers that faculty might get from other universities.

“Usually...that’s done with private money,” May said. “In a competitive situation, we have to address that those things still do happen.”

According to May, remaining competitive in teaching and research is why approximately 50 Tech employees who work in non-core activities have been downsized so far while all faculty are still employed.

“I will say that laying off faculty is, number one, difficult to do. You have tenured faculty, of course... People have contracts,” May said. “Number two, I think it’s really the absolute last resort... If we get to that point, I think that the future outlook for Georgia Tech would be very grim.”

There has been some agreement from students, including Jonathan

ADMINISTRATOR SALARIES, 2002-2003		
Name	Position	Salary
Wayne Clough	Institute President	\$365,805
Don Giddens	Dean, College of Engineering	\$296,511
Jean-Lou Chameau	Provost and VP for Academic Affairs	\$286,308
Robert Thompson	Senior VP, Administration and Finance	\$284,259
Terry Blum	Dean, College of Management	\$247,662
Gary Schuster	Dean, College of Sciences	\$245,400
Richard DeMillo	Dean, College of Computing	\$223,683
Thomas Galloway	Dean, College of Architecture	\$207,981
Charles Liotta	Vice Provost for Research/Dean, Grad. Studies	\$206,754
Sue Rosser	Dean, Ivan Allen College	\$205,008
Joseph Irwin	VP and Executive Dir., GT Alumni Association	\$164,875
Gary May	Executive Assistant to the President	\$161,500
Gail DiSabatino	Dean of Students/Interim VP for Student Affairs	\$120,730

Sharma, a second-year Aerospace Engineering major.

“The administration at the school is very, very important to Tech’s success,” Sharma said. If salaries were cut, he said, “Tech would lose some very important assets.”

Besides, May said, a freeze on salaries is, in effect, a cut in pay.

“People’s take-home pay was less than it was before, because insurance [and parking] went up...[and] things

like that happened,” he said. “Our administration, faculty and staff feel the impact of the budget crunch as much as anyone else.”

For instance, while Tech will not consider laying off faculty, the budget crunch means vacant faculty positions remain unfilled. Furthermore, May said that some of the layoffs have already happened to administrators.

“We don’t distinguish between administration and staff,” he said. “I

don’t know if students understand those definitions clearly.”

Regardless, students like Justin Kingsly, a third-year Industrial Engineering major, say that they would prefer not to see any faculty or administrators receive a pay cut and risk losing them.

“We...take pride in our excellent teachers,” said Kingsly. “Minds of such great caliber deserve their salary.”

May said that the administration returns the sentiment.

“We’re very grateful for [the students’] activities, and we’re very proud of the way that they’ve responded [to the cuts],” May said. “We hope that some positive results will come out of this.”

Nightlife from page 14

“Having a library that is open 24 hours is something we take for granted,” said Brantley Beaird, a third-year Biomedical Engineering major. “I have friends at other schools where the library closes at 10 p.m. and they have no quiet place to study late at night.”

Matthew Ritz, a third-year Mechanical Engineering student, said, “We pull all-nighters here all the time, especially when our homework is due.”

Since they spend so much time at the library, both Beaird and Ritz suggested that there could be “more real food at the library...you can always order food, but it is expensive, and the vending machines don’t quite cut it.”

3:42 a.m.: Architecture Building

If you want to find students awake late at night, the architecture buildings are a good place to look, with students consistently working on projects for their studio classes during all hours of the night.

“Studio takes up a lot of your time,” said Michelle Mendenhall, a second-year Architecture student.

However, she added, “You are there with the responsibility to get your work done, but it is a social hour at the same time. People play music, there is conversation, and being surrounded by all that is comforting.”

SLIVER

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I haven’t gotten into The Wire yet. Maybe I should.
Since there’s a dearth of programming on HBO until the next 6 Feet Under or Sopranos.
‘Cause Deadwood’s a little too weird. And Carnivale just, well, sucks.
Sitting out at the poll with Katie. In West Palm. Hooray for skin cancer!
That’s “privilege,” not “priviledge.”
Q: What’s the leading killer of domestic felines? A: Miller Lite
I have a girlfriend; watch me naked!

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GTPD's K-9 dogs are furry, valuable part of police force

By Katherine Colmer
Contributing Writer

For most students, the Georgia Tech Police Department makes its presence felt through its patrolling of the campus during the day and throughout the night.

However, some of the police cars carry a relatively unknown part of the GTPD's task force—its K-9 unit, which is made up of Zeus and Tiger, two German shepherds, and their handlers, officers Erich Frechen and Paul Honcharik.

Tech initiated a K-9 unit in March of 2003. However, Frechen began training police dogs eight years ago and has been a police officer for three years. He came to Tech when the police department asked him to start the K-9 unit.

Frechen had to go through 180 hours of training with Zeus, as well as a separate 160-hour class, in order to become certified as a trainer of police K-9 units.

Tech's K-9 dogs can apprehend criminals and track people who are missing or hiding. They are also a great crime deterrent, both physically and psychologically. "Will a person wanting to commit a crime do it near a dog barking like crazy? No, he'll probably find someplace else that does not have a dog," Frechen said.

He added, "My car sits six inches lower in the back because

the springs have worn down from Zeus' barking."

"It's a big game to [the perpetrators] until they realize a dog is there," Frechen said. "People start acting like they want to fight, and I tell them, 'Do you hear that dog barking? If we start to fight, he's going to come for one of us, and it's not going to be me,' and they settle down really quickly."

Though there is no way to completely eliminate crime, "If you can keep it away from... where you are responsible for, that's a big plus," Frechen said. "Crime is down 30 percent on campus...since we started the K-9 unit."

He added, "We've looked at stats, and a lot of times when things are happening here, they are times when there is no dog around."

According to Frechen, the homeless and drug addicts can be a prob-

lem on campus, and the dogs help keep watch. "We patrol, practice and train, keep the dog smart, are seen on campus, and talk to people who might be suspicious," Frechen said.

The dogs are also valuable if a perpetrator does decide to get aggressive, serving as "bullets you can recall," Frechen said. If an officer fires a gun during a standoff, even if the perpetrator gives up, he may still be shot. A dog can be called back, giving the perpetrator a chance to surrender without getting seriously

"My car sits six inches lower in the back because the springs have worn down from Zeus's barking."

Erich Frechen
GTPD K-9 handler

WOOF, WOOF! A DAY IN THE LIFE OF A K-9 DOG



LEFT: Bombs are my specialty
At left, Zeus, one of the Georgia Tech Police Department's two K-9 dogs, searches every nook of a car to find a bomb. Once he successfully finds the bomb, he will receive a tennis ball to play with as a reward.

BELOW: Barking up a storm
Even from the backseat of the police car, Zeus and his excessive barking can scare away criminals—and unsuspecting persons—who get too close to the car (below).

BELOW: A bullet that you can recall
Upon command, Zeus will catch the perpetrator by grabbing the first available spot, usually the arm, as his handler demonstrates below.



RIGHT: Out of the car for a bit of fresh air:
After a long night of patrolling campus in the police car, Zeus poses for a picture with his handler, Officer Erich Frechen (right).



Photos by Katherine Colmer / STUDENT PUBLICATIONS

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hurt, Frechen said.

“Unfortunately, in our society there is always going to be the need [for guns],” Frechen said. “So dogs will never take the place of guns, but they are a psychological deterrent.”

For the dogs, apprehending a perpetrator is sort of a game: sometimes the dog will try to get the perpetrator to move so he can purposefully bite him, but otherwise the dog is trained to wait. The bite is a controlled one, meant to immobilize the perpetrator, not hurt him. “We want the perp to be compliant,” Frechen said.

There are two different types of scent specialties a dog can be trained for, bombs and narcotics; Zeus and Tiger have a specialty for bombs. Usually, a K-9 dog specializes in one or the other, so as not to cause confusion.

To find a bomb, the dog must do a passive search, meaning he must not scratch or dig to find a bomb or he might set it off. Instead, when the dog scents a bomb, he is trained to sit.

Frechen laughed, “If you ever see us out and about and my dog sits, you’re going to see me running and just try to keep up, because he’s found a bomb.”

“But at home at night, he sleeps at the foot of my bed...”

Erich Frechen
GTPD K-9 handler

A search-and-find is very stressful to a dog: one short bomb search is equivalent to a person running two miles.

The dogs are also talented at searching and finding people. During a training session, a K-9 dog found a person hiding in a building the size of the police station in less than five minutes. By comparison, the same search would take five officers half an hour.

Zeus and Tiger also have the distinction of being the only two dogs in Fulton County who are also full patrol dogs. Tech’s K-9 units have mutual aid agreements with the surrounding areas, meaning that they can be called upon to help in situations that occur off campus.

Zeus and Tiger are also two out of six or seven dogs in the country that can deploy out of the windows of a police car, Frechen said.

The relationship between owner and dog is both professional and personal. In the mornings, Frechen said, “It is like the dog is going to work: I hold out his work collar, the one with a badge on it, and I tell him to put on his uniform, and he slips his head into the collar.”

However, “at home at night, he sleeps at the foot of my bed; he’s a baby,” he said. “He never barks...and will play with anyone I let into the house. It’s like flipping a switch.”

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term it’s like vacation time, and I don’t know if they would bother,” he said. “After midterm...they have to come back to the class.”

Keskinocak agreed. “If you get the evaluation at the end of the semester, maybe if you teach the course again next year, it’s useful,” she said. “But for these students, it’s too late; it doesn’t affect them. Because of that, many of them actually don’t fill out the surveys at the end.”

Each professor had their own method for conducting midterm evaluations. Keskinocak used the same course survey that is available at the end of the semester, though she encouraged her students to write additional comments.

Hawkins and Schilpzand used a simpler and more open-ended survey, consisting of three questions: “What am I doing right?”, “What am I doing wrong?”, and “What would you like to see more of?”

All three set aside anywhere from 15 minutes to half an hour during class periods, not only to administer the evaluation but also to follow up, discussing the feedback with their students, explaining which aspects of their teaching they could change and which aspects that they couldn’t.

Some student suggestions had to do with the instructor’s teaching style; others focused more on the class itself. For example, Hawkins learned from his evaluations that “I tend to mumble at the end of lecture,” he said.

“One year the students said they would need a bit more practice for

the exam, so then I started giving them some guidelines for how they should practice for the exam, and some practice questions with solutions,” Keskinocak said.

Reading through all the surveys took some time as well. For Hawkins, this process took “between four and five hours.”

However, most professors who take the time to do a midterm survey usually follow through. Ashley Harrison, a student in Hawkins’s class, said, “We wanted less lecturing

“It’s a good thing if the teacher... [is] open to recommendations by the students.”

Laura Pate
Third-year IE major

and more case studies or more class involvement,” she said. “Since then, he’s brought in articles.”

Schilpzand’s students wanted more direction as to what was important in each chapter. As a result, Schilpzand said, “For the next exam, I’ll give them an outline of what topics they need to focus on.”

“That’s very easy to accommodate,” she added. “Sometimes they’re things professors just don’t think about.”

However, other students point out that the professors who could benefit the most from a midterm

survey are also the ones who won’t bother to do so.

Phu Lam, a fourth-year Industrial Engineering major who is in Keskinocak’s class, said that though the survey was constructive, he would have rather seen it in another class.

“[Keskinocak] is like my best professor this semester,” Lam said, “but I’ve had some awful ones in the past, and a midterm evaluation would have helped so much with those classes.”

As of now, the initiative for midterm course evaluations seems to be limited to individual professors in scattered departments.

In addition, students have mixed opinions about whether the idea should be encouraged by, for example, administration or department chairs.

“I think it’s a good thing, if the teacher uses the evaluation to change their teaching style and if they’re open to recommendations by the students,” said Laura Pate, a third-year Industrial Engineering major.

Ethan Trewhitt, a fourth-year Electrical Engineering major, shared Pate’s cautious view. “Some professors are so set in their ways that it won’t really make a difference,” he said.

However, other students say they wouldn’t mind if more of their professors followed suit.

“It would be excellent if every class did [a midterm survey],” Harrison said. “I don’t see how it can hurt; I think it can only help.”

“It should be a mandatory thing,” Kazani said. “I would definitely go for that.”

ENTERTAINMENT

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HE HAD IT COMIN'

Kicking off the fall theater season, the musical *Chicago* ended a successful run at the Fox last week. **Page 20**

SPRING FEVER

They may be young, but Tech's baseball team is ranked highly and expected to do well this year. **Page 31**

TRICK OR TREAT?

Atlanta becomes a ghost town with these great haunts, but which is the best?

By Katherine Colmer
Contributing Writer

It's Halloween season again, and time to get scared. Haunted houses are appearing all around Atlanta, enticing everyone to join in on the thrills and chills of this time of the year.

CHAMBERS OF TERROR offers a house to scare the pants off of anyone who enters. This house is definitely for those who are hardcore fans of haunted houses. If you thought *Texas Chainsaw Massacre* was scary, you'll certainly be shaking when you finally see the sweet relief of the outside parking lot.

Chambers of Terror is situated down a dark, empty street, and when you first wait to enter the house they place you in a dark, small room for a few minutes to get you in the mood.

The first section of the house

is done with a guide, making it seem like a pretty normal haunted house and not *too* scary.

Then, after your journey through some terrorizing special effects in that first part, you are sent off on your own to conquer the rest of the house. This brings you to a maze of pitch-black



rooms and scary villains, with a stint out in the woods. It is like being in your very own scary movie.

The house took me about 30 minutes to go through, longer than most houses and makes the \$15 worthwhile. I have to recommend that any skeptics and those who are hard to scare check out Chambers of Terror and see if this house can scare them. I have never been so scared by a haunted house or a scary movie before.

Chambers of Terror is open on weekends from 8 p.m. to 12 p.m. It is located north of Downtown on I-85 and off of Beaver Run Rd. Look for the searchlights.

At **NETHERWORLD** they greet you in the parking lot with monsters and scary clowns who tell you how many ways they can kill you. Netherworld has three houses that you can walk through.

The main house, Spirits of the Dead, is most like a normal

haunted house, filled with ghosts, ghouls and monsters ready to jump out at you around every corner.

They introduce their houses with videos that put you in the scary



mood.

Spirits of the Dead is cool as well as scary, with special effects such as a tunnel that is very trippy and difficult to walk through and a graveyard

scene filled with thick mist.

They manage to use many different techniques to frighten you. It took about 20 minutes to walk through this house.

Very Scary Tales is also a pretty cool house to walk through. It is not as scary, but it is worth the extra money to go through it. You are given 3-D glasses and the effects inside are different than anything you have ever seen before. They still manage to freak you out, using the 3-D that makes it even scarier.

This house is the brightest of the three, with scary nursery music and visuals that make you see things differently. It is also the shortest of the three; it took me about 10 minutes to walk through.

Oblivion is the third house, and the scariest at Netherworld. It brings terror to its visitors by

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Photo courtesy Center for Puppetry Arts

Photo courtesy Netherworld

Friday Night Lights shine on football

By Kyle Thomason
Assistant Sports Editor

The streets of Odessa are empty and the stores are closed. The west Texas town has shut down a bit early on a Friday night in the fall as a result of the most important season of the year—high school football season.

"...Friday Night Lights sets a dramatically different tone than feel-good sports movies..."

The population of the economically ravaged town has migrated to Ratliff Stadium, the 20,000-seat home of the Odessa Permian Panthers. Peter Berg's *Friday Night Lights*, an adaptation of H.G. Bissinger's novel about the Panthers, captures the magnitude of high school football in a small southern town.

From the beginning, *Friday Night*



Photo courtesy Universal Pictures

Billy Bob Thornton stars as Odessa Permian Panthers Head Coach Gary Gaines in the Universal Pictures release *Friday Night Lights*. The film is based on H.G. Bissinger's novel of the same name and chronicles the 1988 season of a high school football team in a small Texas town.

Lights sets a dramatically different tone than feel-good sports movies such as *Hoosiers* and *Remember the Titans*. High school athletics is not presented as the solution for the young men on the team; it's the problem.

Gary Gaines (Billy Bob Thorn-

ton) holds the most scrutinized position in town, head coach of the Panthers. It is rumored that he gets paid \$60,000 a year, significantly more than the principal. However with the position comes immense pressure.

The years of the Panthers' four

previous state championships are prominently displayed as a reminder that losing is simply not a viable option. Following a loss in the second game of the 1988 season, Gaines returns home to find his yard littered

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Ch-check it out at Gwinnett Arena

This Friday, the world's finest white, Jewish rap trio is touching down right here in our humble little town. On Oct. 15, the great Beastie Boys will be playing Atlanta at the Gwinnett Arena. The show starts at 7:30 p.m. Tickets cost \$38 to \$43.

Time to break out the kilts again

The Stone Mountain Highland Games are here. Featuring piping, food, falconry displays and traditional Scottish athletic events, the games are this Saturday and Sunday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tickets are \$26 with a \$7 parking fee.

J-E-L-L-O spells Bill Cosby

One of the godfathers of modern stand-up is coming to Atlanta this Saturday. Bill Cosby will be playing the Fox Theatre on Oct. 16. There will be two shows, one at 4:30 p.m. and another at 7:30 p.m. Tickets cost from \$28.50 to \$53.50.

Yes Men “punks” businesses

By Amanda Dugan
Contributing Writer

If Ashton Kutcher pulled pranks on world business leaders instead of Hollywood's elite on *Punk'd* the result would be *The Yes Men*. This documentary follows the original Yes Men, Andy and Mike, on their mission to change the world one prank at a time.

What it lacks are the exciting “No, I did not fall for that!” moments from the Yes Men's victims that make any prank worth rehashing. However, seeing these activists pose as representatives from the World Trade Organization and convincing an innocent audience that managers should wear leisure suits that include a phallic-like television screen to monitor their remote work force is still amusing.

The Yes Men starts off explaining Andy and Mike's first great prank, gwbush.com. A friend owned the domain and asked the two pranksters, already responsible for the Barbie Liberation Organization, to design a satirical site making fun of the presidential candidate George W. Bush.

Following the press attention the site garnered after Bush made a statement about it, Yes Men were born. The rest of the documentary focuses on the events surrounding the satiric website www.gatt.org which attacks the WTO.

The whole premise of *The Yes Men* is that international business conferences believe the website to be affiliated with the actual WTO and invite a representative to speak at their events.

First, the leisure suit with phallic-like television monitoring is introduced in Finland. After some national press, the men lecture to a group of university students that McDonald's and the WTO are going to sell their post consumer



Photo courtesy United Artists

Andy and Mike chronicle their pranks against international businesses in the comedic documentary *The Yes Men*.

waste as burgers to end third-world starvation.

As funny as parts of *The Yes Men* are, too much time is spent trying to develop these men separate from

own work and question whether it's more fun to be serious or satirical. Even the basis for their contempt for the WTO is poorly illustrated.

Where a mostly neutral party or an expert in the field should have explained what the WTO does, only *Fahrenheit 9-11* director Michael Moore is interviewed. Moore is not an expert on trade agreements in foreign markets and his appearances in the film turn him into a co-star of a documentary where he doesn't belong.

The Yes Men would be a great documentary if it further examined the motivation for the pranks and their effects instead of focusing on the men apart from their missions. Wait for *The Yes Men* on DVD so you can at least fast forward to the disgusted faces of college students being told that McDonald's is developing waste burgers as they eat Big Macs.

“...The men lecture to a group of university students that McDonald's and the WTO are going to sell their post consumer waste as burgers...”

the pranks.

The film loses speed after the first stunt when all that happens afterward is the men laugh from behind a computer screen at their

It's not about time for Christina Milian: new album lacks sparkle

By Swathy Prithivi
Contributing Writer

Christina Milian's new CD *It's About Time* can be summed up in one word: forgettable. There is not a single song that presents something new, fresh or exciting.

There is nothing on this album that sets this her apart from the current crop of pop princesses. It has all been done before and sometimes what has already been done is simply better music.

Cuban-American Milian has worked in film, television, theatre and music. She appeared with Ja Rule in his hit single “Between You and Me.” Her self-titled debut album was released abroad in 2002 and the single “AM to PM,” which she released in the States, did well on Billboard's Hot 100.

Her current album contains 12 tracks and was released by Island Records, a heavy hitter in the music industry that also backs artists such as Alicia Keys, Jennifer Lopez, Usher and Mariah Carey. “Dip it Low,” as could be predicted from its position on the Billboard charts, is the pinnacle of the entire album.

Milian's sultry, lush vocals and semi-explicit lyrics in this song add a little shimmer to this otherwise listless album. She has recorded and released three ver-

sions of the song with the version on the album featuring rising hip-hop star Fabolous.

The rest of the album is composed mostly of filler tracks, interspersed with some interesting numbers like the ballad “Someday One Day” and more peppy songs like “Get Loose” and “Whatever U Want” featuring Joe Budden.

Overall, the music gives the feel of coming off of a mass-



produced hip-hop/R&B album conveyor belt. The marketing strategy for the album seems to be more focused upon Milian's position as a sex symbol rather than her vocal ability and musical talent.

All that said, she definitely shows potential. It is just a pity that she did not use much of it in the making of this album. Maybe *It's About Time* is a warm-up to the real act. Maybe she is working up to a great next album. So watch this space for further news. But as for picking up the CD, apparently it's not about time.

Chicago razzle-dazzles closing night audience at Fox Theatre

By Halley Espy
Contributing Writer

With fiery dance sequences and bold vocal numbers, *Chicago: The Musical* enthralled audiences at the Fox Theatre this past week with its final performance.

Racy, risqué and riveting, the play unfolded to accent talent within the company. Bianca Marroquin (Roxie Hart) and Brenda Braxon's (Velma Kelly) energy and vocal flair add vitality to the production.

The two Broadway stars exhibited an amazing chemistry that hailed a huge response from the audience.

The opening musical number "All That Jazz" set the stage for a production radiating playful tension and seductive intensity; the number featured Braxon and the company.

The Fox was packed for the show's closing performance, with a young audience dominating the playhouse. Several Tech students along with students from other area universities came out dressed up to fill the rows.

With ravenous applause, the audience reacted with enthusiasm toward characters Matron

"Mama" Morton (Roz Ryan) and Roxie's husband, Amos (Ray Bokhour). Ryan belted out "When You're Good to Mama." Stripped of elaborate choreography, her voice carried the number.

Playing upon being lonely and unimportant, Amos generated laughs and sympathy. "Mister Cellophane" allowed him to stand out in a suit and white gloves.

With the live performance outshining the movie, the musical captured a dynamic show and more musical numbers.

"I loved the theater version, especially seeing the additional scenes."

Jennifer Williams

First-year EAS major

Williams, a first-year Earth and Atmospheric Science major, said.

However, seeing the movie *Chicago* before the play helped some to follow the plot-line more easily. "Seeing the movie definitely helped me understand the play because the sequence of scenes in the play was pretty confusing," Tracy Welch, a first-year Biomedical Engineering major, said.

Upcoming productions at the Fox this season include *Oliver!*, *Little Shop of Horrors*, *Hairspray* and *Movin' Out*.

Time to join *Team America*

By Echezona Ukah
Contributing Writer

If I were at a restaurant and I ordered the 2004 pre-election, merry-go-round brouhaha for a main course, I would order *Team America* as the perfect dessert.

Team America, the new movie from the creators of the *South Park* series features an all-marionette cast of characters. This movie, sure to be a cult classic, features "an international police force dedicated to maintaining

"...The first scene in the movie starts in Paris, France, where everyone was minding their own business when some terrorists [attack]..."

global stability."

Hence, it is no wonder that the first scene in the movie starts in Paris, France, where everyone was minding their own business when some terrorists with dramatic facial expressions decide to do some damage with weapons of mass destruction.

Team America, orchestrated by their leader Spottswode, comes in to save the day while blowing up the Eiffel tower and a few other iconic French structures.

The movie features a rich set of characters. Spottswode is in charge of recruiting and stays at the base while interacting with his supercomputer



Photo courtesy Paramount Pictures

Team America is a film by the creators of *South Park* and is executed in the same satirical, irreverent style, poking fun at current events.

called I.N.T.E.L.L.I.G.E.N.C.E. Of course, I.N.T.E.L.L.I.G.E.N.C.E. is in charge of intercepting communications around the globe in order to help foil the intentions of terrorists.

Gary, who was a rising Broadway star with a double major in acting and international languages, was recruited to act his way into terrorist organizations as a mole. Other

characters include Lisa, the blonde chick; Chris, the hot-headed martial arts expert; Joe, the jock and Sarah, the token brunette.

The antagonist, Kim Jong Il, is the leader of North Korea who sells nuclear arms to terrorist organizations all around the world. He also plans to rule the world. In his spare

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with “for sale” signs. Thornton, the son of a high school basketball coach, does a terrific job of portraying Gaines. He shows that he is the undisputed leader of the team and earns the right to deliver a motivational speech near the end of the film, as part of a series of chilling moments. Gaines’s job is not made any easier when his star running back, James “Boobie” Miles (Derek Luke), sustains a career-threatening knee injury early in the season. Miles is incredibly upset by the news that the injury could keep him off the football field, refusing to believe that he is destined to do anything other than run a football. He can barely read the letters he receives from colleges, but Miles claims that he has an “A” in the only subject that matters—football. With every attempt to pass another test on his aching knee, Miles sees his once bright future becoming progressively darker. Mike Winchell (Lucas Black) and Don Billingsley (Garrett Hedlund)

have far more than the opposition to worry about when they step on the field. Both are constantly fighting against personal demons that they cannot escape. Win or lose, Winchell, the star quarterback, comes home to an ill mother. The situation at home is inescapable for Winchell and is obviously a hindrance to his play. At times, football seems much more important to it is to the star his mother than quarterback. She spends countless hours drilling her son on the team’s playbook and seems to be more excited about his success than Winchell himself. Billingsley has to fight ghosts of Odessa Permian past every time he steps onto the field. His abusive father, Charles (Tim McGraw), was a star for the Panthers and refuses to let go of the past.

“He can barely read the letters he receives from colleges, but Miles claims he has an ‘A’ in the only subject that matters—football.”

“Friday Night Lights accomplishes its mission, and Berg does not pull any punches in translating Bissinger’s novel to the big screen.”

Luke, Black and Hedlund are all very convincing in their performances, capturing the emotion of the audience. By the end of the film, the crowd in the theater was cheering wildly as they succeeded on the field. McGraw also shows great promise as an actor, doing a good job of being a “bad guy.” He is disturbing as an abusive father, but remains very human at all times, keeping this subplot from becoming implausible. The multitude of exceptional performances makes the social angle of the movie much more plausible. All of the characters are seen not simply as football players, but people who play the game of football. Although the movie emphasizes relationships off of the field, the portrayal of the game is extremely realistic. The physical pain that results from the game demonstrates the fact that very few players are able to escape a contest without some sort of minor injury. Friday Night Lights accomplishes its mission, and Berg does not pull any punches in translating Bissinger’s novel to the big screen. The story is well worth the price of admission.

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leading them through pitch-black rooms. For those afraid of the dark, this house is the one to scare you. This one was actually tricky to walk through because you keep running into the walls in the dark, but you do not know if it is actually a wall or a monster ready to jump at you. Be careful or you might get lost in this house forever or be chased out by a man wielding a chainsaw 10-15 minutes after you enter the house. Despite this, Netherworld has fewer men with chainsaws than Chambers of Terror, and I must say I appreciated that as I negotiated the haunted houses there. Netherworld is open weekdays from 7 p.m. to 11 p.m. and on weekends till 12 p.m. It is located north on I-85 off of Jimmy Carter Blvd. Look for the searchlights. To go through the main house is \$15, and \$5 more per extra house. The Center for Puppetry Arts is presenting SPOOKY PUPPET...THE BEGINNING for ages 18 and up. The age restriction is necessary considering the type of humor presented in this show. A prequel to the popular Spooky

“Unlike most other haunted houses, spooks here can and will touch you.”

Horror Puppet Show, Spooky Puppet... the Beginning chronicles a bit of the history of the characters. The most interesting part of this experience is the walk-through haunted hallway that you have to go through to get to your seats. Unlike most other haunted houses, spooks here can and will touch you. For the first few minutes it is rather scary, but once you know what to expect, it isn’t too bad. The puppet show used many forms of entertainment including song, wicked humor, puppets, audience involvement and a cool stick dance. However, the story was slightly boring, very strange, and not at all scary, if that is what you are looking for. Nonetheless, it is an enjoyable attraction if you’re looking for something to get you in the spooky spirit but don’t want to risk going into cardiac arrest. I recommend going to this show on Wednesday night, when it is half price for college students. Tickets are \$16. Show times are available on their website. The Center for Puppetry Arts’ website is www.puppet.org. The website for Chambers of Terror is chambersofterror.com and the website for Netherworld can be found at www.fearworld.com.

SLIVER

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gotta love massages
When in doubt, aim for the crotch!
Quoting a cartoon: not so bad considering your school has superhero events planned for homecoming...
To Nerd Couples: no touching, rubbing, scratching, etc each other. in class.
Or anywhere else in public.
And think twice about doing it in private too.
I was told that the reason they don’t put slivers online is because too many people would cancel their subscription.

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Story of bad computer experience told for sake of pun

Earlier this year, I decided that what I really needed most in life was a new computer. Now, this was not a selfish decision, violently wretched from the womb of immature desire to have the best toy *cough* 3 gigahertz 512 megs of ram *cough* or some Cro-Magnon, knee jerk need to pV\N 5t_l_p1D n00b5 *hiccup* 5.1 surround sound *burp*.

No, this was born of a professional desire to have the best machine that I could possibly have, so that I might ap-

proach the business of my chosen field of computer science with the very best tools available to me... *hack* case lighting, bitches *spurt*. I'm sorry, I've been ill lately.

Being so possessed of noble desire for raw computing power, I enlisted the services of a certain custom computer manufacturer to build me a rig of unimaginable power. Owning to

the fact that neither I nor the *Technique* have any desire to get sued at the moment, said manufacturer will go unnamed.

However, for the purposes of this article, I will be referring to them as Midget Porn Computers, because, assuming you've received a rather sharp blow to the head recently, their name does sound kind of like that.

Also, I am obsessed with midget porn and this is my cry for help. It's their little hands that do it for me.

Sadly, the hearts of the good people of MPC were not as filled with burning justice as mine was. Rather, they appear to have been filled with some other material, perhaps manure (though the jury's still out as to whether or not this matter is "burning" per se).

I say this because instead of sending me a computer like I asked, they sent me—a month late, mind you—a giant, urine-colored paperweight whose very existence mocks all that is good and decent in this world.

Here's a brief rundown of everything that's wrong with it.

1) It is yellow. I ordered black. They called me a week later to tell

me that they were out of black, so I chose blue. They didn't have blue, so I chose red. A week later when I called them to ask why the hell my box

hadn't shipped yet, they said that they also ran out of red, but that they had ordered me a black case from the manufacturer.

This was, it seems, a lie. So basically, I had

"I had to wait a month to get a hideous computer that looks like someone painted it to resemble urine."

to wait a month to get a hideous computer that looks like someone painted it to resemble urine.

2) The video card works only sporadically. Twice now, I've turned on my computer to have the screen not come on (yes, I checked that the screen works). However, if I let it sit for a little while and think about what it's done, it tends to see the rightness of my position in wanting to receive visual output from my computer.

3) The CD burner is jammed and also mounted in such an obviously incorrect way as to make removal and repair impossible. It's like it was installed by a kid with cerebral palsy.

4) Did I mention that it was piss yellow?

So, yeah. That's my situation. Sucks, don't it? If there's anything I want all you people out there to take from this whole experience, it's that you should never, ever, under any circumstances buy Midget Porn. To hell with their little hands.



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time he likes to sing Broadway show tunes.

The fact that Kim sounds a little too much like Cartman from *South Park* makes a person wonder: when he grows up, will Cartman become the manager of your local Target store or would he instead become a renowned international terrorist?

With respect to creativity, the movie is able to tell its story very well. The audience can empathize with some of the frustrations that the characters feel from their posture, gestures and interaction with one another.

"...Will Cartman become the manager of your local Target store or would he instead become a renowned international terrorist?"

The token ballad in the movie contains lyrics that are reminiscent of rap lyrics and also contains mini movie reviews. Every bit of the movie seemed to be backed by a soundtrack that was over the top for the film. Even Gary falling onto a pool of his own vomit was accompanied by a dramatic orchestral piece.

Would I recommend seeing this movie? Yes! It's very funny with just enough tongue-in-cheek humor to keep you laughing for a few weeks. So take a friend or a group of friends and pick out the hilarious one-liners you'll be blurting out for weeks to come. You will not be disappointed.



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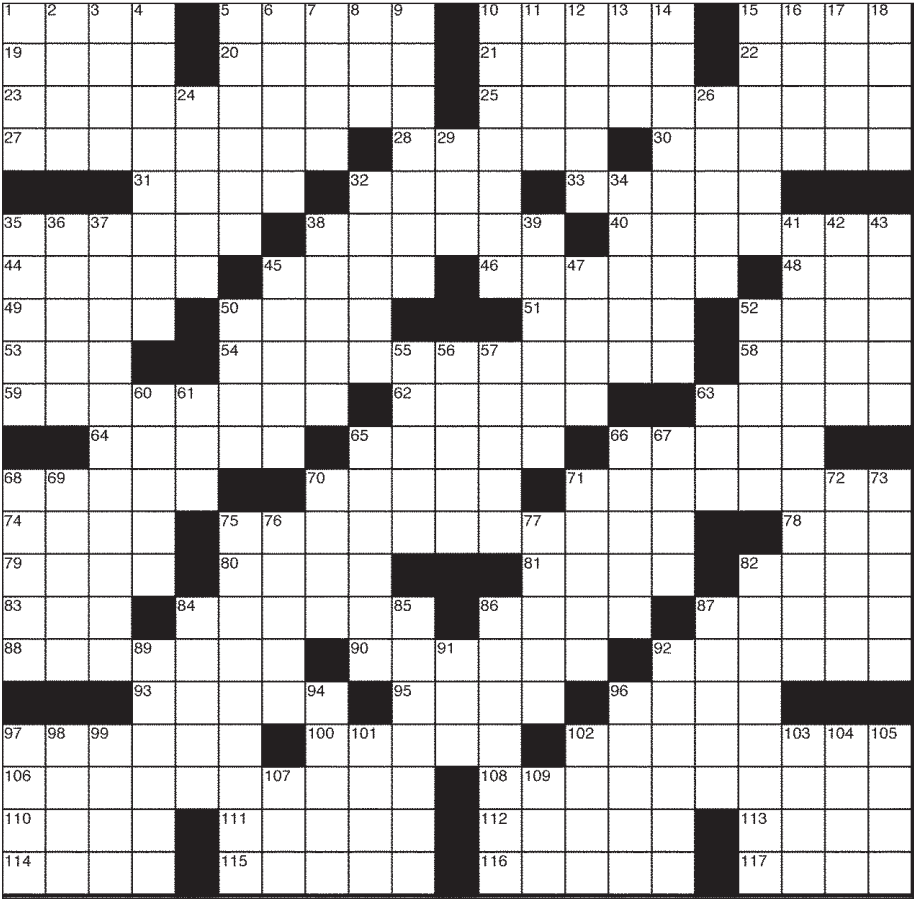
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- 10. Inflexible
- 15. Was in debt
- 19. On the sidelines
- 20. "Inferno" poet
- 21. Dangerous bacteria
- 22. Hoopster __ Archibald
- 23. Place for papers
- 25. Dry-year threat
- 27. 1773 Boston event
- 28. Yesterday's plum
- 30. Young cow
- 31. Kind of code
- 32. Red vegetable
- 33. Lumbermill worker
- 35. More loopy
- 38. Curved outward
- 40. Biller's warning
- 44. Root for perfume
- 45. Arial or Bookman
- 46. Unwrinkled
- 48. Acct. designation
- 49. Editor's notation
- 50. Sheltered, at sea
- 51. Superlative
- 52. Campus org.
- 53. "Ich bin __ Berliner!"
- 54. Bluffer
- 58. Italian wine source
- 59. Bridge player, at times
- 62. Joyce Carol __
- 63. Boston suburb
- 64. Syringes
- 65. Some sculptures
- 66. Ariz. neighbor
- 68. 1966 Michael Caine role
- 70. Gucci offering
- 71. Trumpeted intros
- 74. Poe's "... dank __ of Auber"
- 75. "The Swiss Conspiracy" writer Merrill, quickly?
- 78. "__ Today"
- 79. Math subj.
- 80. Formerly
- 81. Hovels
- 82. Tantrums
- 83. "__ Got Sixpence"
- 84. Son of Poseidon
- 86. Ramble
- 87. Political harvest?
- 88. Starchy plant
- 90. That's all
- 92. Jimmy or Tommy
- 93. Not those
- 95. Hammer, e.g.
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- 102. Shrink's specialty



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 - 110. From a given time
 - 111. Faithful
 - 112. Chamber music group
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 - 115. Eggy
 - 116. Fast dances
 - 117. Greek letters
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- 1. Elevator, abroad
 - 2. Falco of "The Sopranos"
 - 3. Songstress __ Fitzgerald
 - 4. Persist
 - 5. Admirer
 - 6. Mediterranean republic
 - 7. Memorial Day event, for short
 - 8. Map abbr.
 - 9. Eve's undoing
 - 10. Disproves
 - 11. Mouse-click target
 - 12. Al and Tipper
 - 13. __ de France
 - 14. It's said to be dull
 - 15. Blazing
 - 16. Gamin
 - 17. To be, in France
 - 18. Forest dweller
 - 24. Airline quotes

- 26. What some laws may lack
- 29. Clerical abbr.
- 32. Blunder
- 34. 1997 Bee Gees hit
- 35. Administered a drug
- 36. Bandleader __ Shaw
- 37. Fast food staple
- 38. Sacre __
- 39. Winter holidays, compressed
- 41. Early harvest
- 42. Byron's muse
- 43. Send for take-out
- 45. Ice fields
- 47. Expressions of delight
- 50. Hair style
- 52. Architectural border: var.
- 55. National youth program
- 56. Cowboy's line
- 57. Absolute
- 60. Fibbing
- 61. Go __ : lose it
- 63. Candidate __ Landon
- 65. Elevator caller
- 66. __ du jour
- 67. Conjunctions
- 68. Classically Greek
- 69. Insect stage
- 70. Sotto voce call
- 71. Member of an art move-

- ment, c. 1900
- 72. Ms. Lauder
- 73. Impudent
- 75. With passion
- 76. Met solos
- 77. Fingerprint feature
- 82. TV's "Bachelor Father"
- 84. Calif.-Nev. lake
- 85. With prominence
- 86. Cheer on
- 87. See-through fabric
- 89. Corpses
- 91. Pal of Larry and Curly
- 92. Author's attempts
- 94. Anti-knock additive
- 96. Prepare to pray
- 97. Miles away
- 98. Lawsuit
- 99. Trampled
- 101. Feeble
- 102. Bellum lead-in
- 103. At once, in pharmacy
- 104. Ingrid's "Casablanca" role
- 105. Hardens
- 107. Bill and __
- 109. Bonnie Blair milieu

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Dodd Stadium/Grant Field.

“He is such a significant piece of Georgia Tech legend, lore and history,” Durham said. “He was such a comforting voice on Saturday afternoons for so many people. And I’m so happy that we were able to honor him at the Miami game, and he was able to see what he has meant to so many Georgia Tech fans.”

A man with a strong sense of civic responsibility and personal giving, King’s accomplishments extend well beyond the Tech community.

“Kim had, as his basis, that most rare combination of honesty, compassion and an indefatigable drive to win,” former Tech Coach Bill Curry said. “His capacity for loyalty, whether to his alma mater or to a friend, was limitless.”

King served as finance chair for former Georgia Governor Roy Barnes and as chairman of the board of Georgia Public Broadcasting. He was active in fundraising activities for cancer research as well as for the Bobby Dodd Charities Foundation, Inc.

After leaving the field in 1967, King became a force for Tech athletics behind the scenes. He chaired the initial feasibility study for what ultimately became the Arthur B. Edge Center, which houses Tech’s athletics offices. At the time of

its completion in 1982, the Edge Center was a significant move by the Institute toward a commitment to intercollegiate athletics. In 1988 he was a driving force behind an agreement between the Board of Regents and the Grant family heirs to add the name of Bobby Dodd to Tech’s home field.

Generations of Yellow Jacket fans knew King for his role as the color analyst on Tech’s radio broadcasts. He joined the radio broadcast team in 1974 as the partner of legendary play-by-play voice Al Ciraldo. Durham, Tech’s current play-by-play voice, began working with King in 1995.

“Kim King is Georgia Tech, and I’m honored that I had the chance to know him and work with him for the last 10 years,” Durham said.

Head Football Coach Chan Gailey said, “Kim King is the true Tech man, from the way he played on the football field to his successful business career, and most importantly, in the way he lived his life.”

King was originally diagnosed with multiple myeloma, a form of cancer, in 1999. Last May, he was diagnosed with secondary acute myelogenous leukemia.

A public memorial service is scheduled for Monday, Oct. 18 at 10 a.m. at Alexander Memorial Coliseum on the Tech campus. King is survived by his wife, Gail, daughters Angela and Abby, son Beau, and two grandchildren.

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can only be blamed on youthful inexperience for so long. At some point, one must look to find other culprits.

So if Tech football responds to pressure, then give them some. No athlete makes it to this level of play unless they are hungry for playing time. Give touted redshirt freshman Patrick Carter some time at the helm. After all, starting a freshman is certainly not unprecedented.

The passing game does not need to bear the load for this team. That burden has been carried well by P.J. Daniels. All putting the ball in the air is to keep the defense honest and not allow them to cheat so strongly towards the run that the very effective offensive line cannot give Daniels the daylight he needs.

North Carolina’s coach, John Bunting, told his defense that only one starter had any job security. An upset over Tech and another over North Carolina State have been the result. Sometimes the best way to solve a problem is to name it and put it squarely out in public view for all to see.

Tech has a mobile, effective quarterback when Reggie Ball is on his game. If the pressure of perhaps riding the bench, of maybe watching someone else being carried off the field on the fan’s shoulders gets the young quarterback to play his best in every game, then Tech has a shot at victory in every game, not just the ones they are not expected to win.

And if the pressure is a detriment to his play, then another man taking the snaps might be just the change of pace the team needs to keep its level of play at the height of its talents.

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Jeremy Slayden said. “If he gets it going, he could be our Friday night guy. I’m really excited, for me, I’m happy for him. I think that he can be great. Last year, Neighborgall occasionally closed. If he can continue to throw strikes, he can do whatever he wants.”

John Goodman should also be looking to come into his own this season. His older brother Chris was a pitcher for Tech from 2000-2003 and left very big shoes for him to fill.

“He had a great summer up in the Cape Cod League,” Moranda said. “We’re not sure what we are going to do with him. Whether we are going to start him or leave him [in the bullpen], his arm is too good not to play.”

Jeremy Slayden will be a key returnee for the Jackets. After a torn rotator cuff sidelined him for most of last season, Slayden should be back with a vengeance and with a lot to prove.

“We’re taking it really slowly,” Slayden. “With every new step I feel like I’m ready to throw, and since I’m not feeling any pain, I’m really not so tentative. It’s actually feeling better than I would’ve expected. I’m very anxious to get back. It was a good thing for me in a way because I’ve played with pain for a long time and knowing that I can go into the

game full speed again is very exciting for me.”

Slayden was the only player that was drafted in last season’s draft that decided to stay at Tech.

“That was an easy [choice],” said Slayden. “I enjoy it here, and I think that we have a great program. I wanted to finish it on a good note. I didn’t want to end it on a medical red-shirt type year where you don’t really play.”

The Jackets have another excellent recruiting class. It features nine outstanding players, including five pitchers. This year’s recruiting class has been ranked No. 5 in the nation by *Baseball America*.

“They are exciting because they get better everyday,” Holliday said of the freshman class.

The team has two weeks of practice left featuring several intrasquad scrimmages. The fall practice culminates with the White and Gold games. In the games the coaching staff will be able to see how the players are handling game situations and where the players will best fit into the Tech system in the spring.

“We are coming together a lot earlier this year than we did last year. Last year it took a while for the team to come together,” Hyde said. “Last year we had a pretty good season, but we started off slow. I think that if we come together as a team at the beginning of the year we’ll be fine.”

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Jared, are you groing a moustache too...?
Oh... wait that's just vomit :(
stop pulling the asian card on me!
my fingers have doritos on them
Hey Rob, can i get a brown from ur tin can
Chinese headset kid in Smith: Who are you talking to at 3 A.M.
EVERY MORNING?!?!
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GEORGIA TECH (3-2) VS. DUKE (1-4)

By Vishal Patel



Riding the season-long roller coaster, Tech is coming off of its strongest game this season in which they dominated Maryland from the very start. This came after two depressing losses to North Carolina and Miami—almost the worst consecutive game performance in the last decade for Tech. The Jackets come into homecoming looking to continue their defensive success, develop their offense even further and take a little revenge against the Blue Devils for last year's upset loss.

“They make big plays on offense, defense and special teams, and they return a good running back [Cedric Dargan] this weekend.”

Chan Gailey
Tech head coach



Four Key Questions

• **Can the Jackets erase their embarrassing loss last year to Duke in front of this year's homecoming crowd?**

Tech has proved it can accomplish just about anything under Head Coach Chan Gailey, which has its upsides as well as down, among them last year's nothing-short-of-embarrassing loss to the Blue Devils. The Jackets bring to the table the best defensive effort recorded in Division I football this season, a rowdy homecoming crowd and, most importantly, an offense that's growing more and more confident despite being the least productive unit in the ACC. Their time to shine is this weekend.

• **Will the Jackets continue their pattern of playing to the level of their opponents?**

After suffering a loss this year to North Carolina this has become a question cemented on the minds of fans and alumni alike, but their game last weekend against Maryland brings a ray of light. A humiliating defeat of the Blue Devil in homecoming would go a long way for the Jackets with their base.

• **Is last week's record-setting defensive effort against Maryland indicative of things to come?**

With the presence of Eric Henderson, the defense has recorded 12 sacks over its last two games in contrast to only three sacks the three games prior to Henderson's return from injury. Defensive back-turned-safety Chris Reis has really come through at his new position where he leads the ACC in sacks with five, two-and-a-half of which came against Maryland last week. Defensive coordinator Jon Tenuta put it best after the Maryland game when he said, “We came of age today.” Tech will look to continue their success against the rushing tandem of freshman Justin Boyle and incumbent Cedric Dargan, who has an “outside chance” of returning, according to Duke Head Coach Tim Roof.

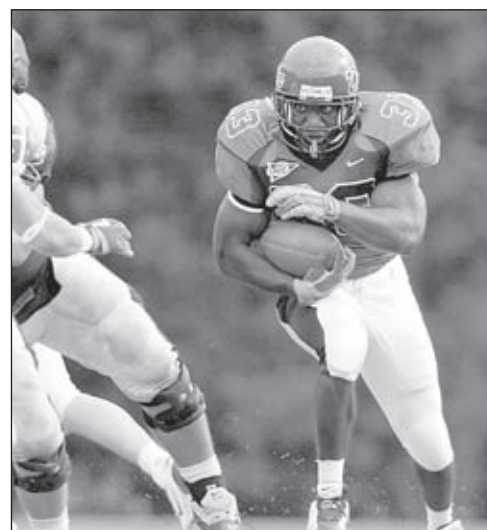
• **How will Duke's ACC-leading 13 turnovers-forced this season match up against Tech's own 12 turnovers this season?**

Although Ball, Daniels and company face the ACC's cellar dweller in almost all of defensive stats, there's one stat in particular that sticks out: the Blue Devils ACC-leading 13 turnovers-forced. This is a cause for concern because Tech has committed the second most turnovers in the ACC. There is evidence that Tech will come out throwing: Ball passed for 283 yards on homecoming last year and Suggs 220 the year before. The caveat is that Tech has been consistently inconsistent this season, especially in the passing game.

Starting the season with four straight losses, Duke has slowly gotten better through the season, holding their own for the most part throughout the game. They have sustained losses to Navy, Connecticut, Virginia Tech and Maryland—all non-ranked opponents. They come into Atlanta off of a home win against The Citadel in its highest seasonal offensive output of 397 yards. Duke hopes to repeat last year's upset victory of Tech with the continued success of its offense.

“It's an ACC game and it's the next game on our schedule. We desperately need a win as we continue to build our program.”

Ted Roof
Duke head coach



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Volleyball beats Duke and Wake



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Lauren Sauer records a kill for the Jackets over two blockers as Tech beat Wake Forest last Saturday in Winston-Salem.

By John Scaduto
Contributing Writer

Another weekend, another sweep of conference opposition for Tech volleyball. The Lady Jackets took care of business at Wake Forest on Friday (30-22, 30-14, 30-23) and Duke on Saturday (30-22, 30-21, 30-26). Tech moves to 6-0 in ACC play, 11-5 overall, to remain atop the conference rankings.

Tech also took home ACC Player of the Week honors, courtesy of Jayme Gergen. While this is the first time in her career she has been

recognized as such, this marks the third consecutive week a Jacket has done so. Furthermore a player from the Tech squad has won the award in three of the six possible weeks this season.

The Jackets were simply dominant on defense, as they held the Deaks to a .096 hit percentage en route to a match sweep. Gergen and setter Lindsey Laband each posted two solo blocks, as Tech rejected nine overall. The team recorded 45 digs, with all-American Lynnette Moster pulling up 14 and Marissa Aston contributing 10.

Tech also brought their offensive A-game to Winston-Salem, posting a .318 hit percentage. Lauren Sauer had 16 kills on top of four solo blocks, as Moster represented with 13. Gergen pounded 10 kills with no errors on 14 attempts—a .714 hit percentage.

In match two of the weekend, Tech sent the Duke Blue Devils packing and won their ninth straight victory. Laband paced the offense with 52 assists, as Tech out-hit Duke .360 to .175. Moster and Sauer took charge with 21 and 15 kills respectively as Gergen again posted zero hitting errors through 13 kills.

Preseason All-ACC member Aston anchored the defense with 17 digs, followed by Abby Showers with 10, with Tech posting 69 as a team. Sauer again dominated at the net with three solo blocks, and Moster also contributed two blocks of her own.

“Winning on the road is so important to us in conference play because we know we can defend well in our home gym. Lynnette played like an all-American again tonight but Jayme was simply unstoppable. Our defense kept us in the match and was the spark to our energy tonight,” Head Coach Bond Shymanskys said as reported by [RamblinWreck.com](#), “Our outside hitters were strong contributors in a great team performance... Duke has a lot of offensive weapons who were tough to contain.”

Volleyball continues its schedule at home this weekend, as they face-off against Virginia on Friday night at 7 p.m. and against Maryland on Saturday at 7 p.m.

Beyond the White and Gold

Too much talent? Dilemma of a quarterback controversy

Too much of a good thing is not something many people would pass up. But if it's football season, and the good thing is quarterback talent, two can be too much.

It happens at every level of play: an experienced quarterback leaves or takes a turn for the worse, and the backup starts doing everything right. An injury to the team leader lets a backup shine, and then the injury heals. Do you keep the momentum going? Do you go back to the battle-tested veteran? Few things can be such a thorn in the side of a season as a quarterback controversy, or as difficult to resolve.

It is especially difficult when an elite program has one quarterback too many that is ready to play. At LSU, it has become a question between JaMarcus Russell or Marcus Randall. So contentious a situation that Coach Nick Saban no longer discusses it with the media, and the defending national co-champions are no longer a good bet to repeat. It is a stress on every member of the team when the leader is in question. But it is not always a bad thing.

In the NFL highly touted New York Giants rookie Eli Manning lost the starting job under center to former league and Super Bowl MVP Kurt Warner after a very competitive training camp. Put to the test, and knowing that the future of the franchise is waiting to prove for him, Warner looks as if he is returning to the form that earned him such acclaim with the Rams.

Tech doesn't have a quarterback controversy—yet.

But maybe it needs one. Tech, and Reggie Ball are cementing a reputation for themselves as a team that plays to the level of their opponent. This is making the Jackets an upset team—either the opponent is beaten when the Jackets were expected to do little against them, or a lowly opponent upsets the favored Tech squad. This up-and-down can be seen in Ball as well.

In games against North Carolina and Miami, Ball threw 6 interceptions, and then he rebounded with almost 200 yards through the air and no turnovers against Maryland. Inconsistency



Andy Holt
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Football surprises Terrapins with 20-7 victory

By Clark Nelson
Staff Writer



By Bill Allen / STUDENT PUBLICATIONS

Gerris Wilkinson tackles Sammy Maldonado in last Saturday's game in College Park as Tech rolled over the then-No. 23 Terps.

Tech put an end to Maryland's 13-game home winning streak last Saturday, defeating the Terrapins in convincing fashion 20-7.

The Jackets' defense was the story of the game, sacking Maryland quarterbacks seven times and allowing only 81 yards of total offense. Leading the Tech defense were linebacker Chris Reis and defensive end Eric Henderson.

Reis finished with three tackles for loss, including 2.5 sacks and a forced fumble. Henderson, in only his second game back from injury, got 1.5 sacks and was named ACC Defensive Lineman of the week for his efforts. The offensive output allowed by Tech was their lowest since joining the ACC in 1983.

The Jackets used a variety of blitz packages to pressure and confuse Maryland's offense. The secondary stepped up to provide blanketing coverage on the Terps receivers.

Maryland's quarterback Joel Statham came into the game as the ACC's leader in total offense, but he was replaced in the fourth quarter after passing for only 36 yards and being sacked three times.

True freshman Jordan Steffy came into the game, but no more successful against Tech's swarming defense. Steffy was sacked four more times as the Jacket defense did not relent despite entering the fourth quarter with a 20-point lead.

Sophomore Reggie Ball was suc-

cessful on offense for Tech, throwing for 197 yards and one touchdown while rushing for 43 yards.

A few days before the game, true freshman Taylor Bennett was promoted to backup quarterback in place of Mark Logan. Many fans saw this as a sign that the team was preparing to

“[My mother] just knew I wasn't playing with the kind of confidence that I have. I was like, ‘Man, I'd better get going.’ ”

Reggie Ball
Tech quarterback

play without him. Another backup, Patrick Carter, had been working with the defensive backs also, but returned punts against Maryland averaging 11 yards per touch. Ball said he got some strong motivation from his poor outings against UNC and Miami but some even stronger motivation from his mother.

“She just knew I wasn't playing with the kind of confidence that I have. I was like, ‘Man, I'd better get going.’ ” Ball said, according to the *A/C*.

Tech scored first in the second quarter with an 11-yard pass to Nate

Curry. The drive was aided by two completions to senior receiver Levon Thomas for a total of 50 yards. The next scoring drive, Calvin Johnson made a spectacular catch on a 44-yard pass from Ball. Travis Bell then kicked a 19-yard field goal to give the Jackets a 10-0 lead heading into halftime.

Returning from injury with a strong performance was P.J. Daniels who rushed for 91 yards on 26 carries. Daniels got 51 yards on the Jackets first scoring drive of the second half including a 12-yard run that put Tech up 17-0. Travis Bell kicked another field goal late in the third quarter to give the Jackets a 20-0 lead.

After turning the ball over nine times in its previous two games, Tech committed no turnovers this day.

Maryland had a net rushing total of eight yards with their quarterbacks having minus 67 yards between them.

Tech defenders tackled Maryland players 13 times behind the line of scrimmage. Maryland Head Coach Ralph Friedgen, a former offensive coordinator for Tech, was frustrated with his performance and his team after the game.

“Obviously, we got out-coached, we got out-played, we got out-hit, we got out-hustled,” Friedgen said after the game.

The Jackets have improved vastly over their last two performances. Tech is now 3-2 overall, 2-2 in the ACC with their second road win over a top 25 opponent. The Jackets face Duke this weekend.

Despite youth, baseball eager to begin new season

By Michael Clarke
Senior Staff Writer

With 20 lettermen, seven position players returning with starting experience and eight pitchers with at least 15 appearances, the baseball team began practice last Monday at Russ Chandler Stadium.

Last season the team went 44-21 overall and 18-5 in the ACC. They went on to set a school record with 20 consecutive wins en route to the NCAA Super Regionals. This year the team will have to continue without 11 players from last year's squad. The team also lost two of their recruits to the professional draft, as well as pitcher Micah Owings, who transferred to Tulane.

"We lost 11 very good players to professional baseball," said Josh Holliday, assistant coach. "I think that any team that loses that many players would have a lot of question marks, but I don't think that we are in that position. We have a lot of innings that will be taken up by new pitchers this year. I just think that the major question is can we come out every day and work our absolute hardest."

During the past three seasons, Head Coach Danny Hall has led the Jackets to very respectable finishes. In 2002 the team appeared in their most recent College World Series. In 2003 the team won the ACC Tournament Championship but was knocked out of the NCAA Regionals. Last season the Jackets won the ACC regular season title and finished second in the ACC tournament.

"I think Tyler Greene has im-

proved a great deal," Holliday said. "He went from a good player to an exceptional player. I think Steven Blackwood continues to get better. Whit Robbins has impressed me a lot. Those guys have all shown me something that says that they can be very special players."

With the departure of Assistant Coach and Recruiting Coordinator Scott Stricklin and Volunteer Coach Jon Palmieri, Hall added a new face, and a not-so-new face, to his coaching

"The pitching staff is young. We need the core of our pitching staff, the sophomores, to step up."

Bobby Moranda
Tech pitching coach

staff for the upcoming season.

Holliday replaces Stricklin as an assistant coach and recruiting coordinator. Holliday spent last year at NC State and the previous four at Oklahoma State. Also, after announcing his retirement from professional baseball this fall, former Tech shortstop Victor Menocal joined the coaching staff as a volunteer coach.

"Coming into Georgia Tech for the first time for me was a bit of a question mark," Holliday said. "I wouldn't say question marks as much as learning opportunities. To learn

about each player and understand what they want to improve upon."

Despite the loss of the entire weekend rotation, the Jackets pitching staff is already finding ways to shore up the starting spots for the upcoming season. The loss of 319 innings pitched from the previous year's starting squad should decimate them, but there are several capable arms to help the pitching staff remain in a prominent role without being as high profile.

"The pitching staff is young. We need the core of our pitching staff, the sophomores, to step up," pitching coach Bobby Moranda said. "They had some good moments and some bad moments, but they came out this summer and got some experience."

Lee Hyde has become a front-runner for one of the spots in the weekend rotation. Last season Hyde had a 5-2 record in nine mid-week starts. Hyde is also stepping up to the challenge of being the sole starter from last year's team to remain. Blake Wood and Ryan Turner have helped out with four spot starts apiece last season. If Tech is to be successful in the upcoming season, Hyde will have to step up to the challenge of being a weekend starter.

"We're trying to make some mechanical adjustments this fall," Moranda said. "[Hyde] needed a changeup, so this summer we had him work on it, and it's really good. We are now working on other areas mechanically that will help him throw for longer stints in games because we felt that he had some effort in his delivery, so we want to take it to another level where it's



By Jamie Howell / STUDENT PUBLICATIONS

Tech will look for many underclassmen to step up on the mound this season after a majority of last year's starters have departed.

easier, so that he can throw a longer outing every time he goes out on the mound. He has great ability. I think he's going to be one of the premiere guys in this league."

Despite suffering from a severe allergy to the strike zone for the past few seasons, Jason Neighborgall appears to have overcome whatever was ailing him. He now has figured out how to throw consistently in the strike zone, and that is a dangerous thing for opposing hitters. In 6.2 innings pitched last season, Neighborgall had 11 strikeouts but threw 13 wild pitches, walked 24, and hit

three batters. His fastball has the potential to overpower hitters when Neighborgall finds his mark, and that mark appears to be headed as a starter in the weekend rotation.

"I'm very pleased with him," Moranda said. "He's had a great six weeks. The best fall since he's been here. The command of three pitches right now. He's making strides mechanically and with his confidence in attacking the zone."

"In the intrasquad game he threw a perfect three innings," outfielder

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BETTER THAN A REVOLVER

The GTPD employs the use of specially trained dogs to patrol campus and fight the bad guys. Page 15

UNDER FRIDAY NIGHT LIGHTS

Football takes center stage in a small town in rural Texas as lives are made and bonds are forged on the gridiron. Page 17



sports shorts

Golf places second at Pate Invitational

Chan Song shot a four-under-par 67 and Nicholas Thompson pitched in with a 68 as four Tech players finished among the top 15 individuals at the Jerry Pate National Intercollegiate golf tournament in Birmingham, Ala. The Jackets came in second place overall.

Alumni swimmers compete at FINA

Former Tech swimming standouts Shilo Ayalon and Jorge Oliver completed competition at the Fédération Internationale de Natation World Swimming Championships on Monday. Ayalon tallied a sixth-place finish in the men's 1500-meter freestyle with a time of 14:58.70.

Reck Parade at 8 a.m. Saturday

To accommodate the Ramblin' Reck parade tomorrow, Fowler Street will be closed from 10th Street to Fifth Street until after the parade concludes at approximately 10 a.m. Access to Peter's Parking Deck, the Club lot, the Alexander Memorial Coliseum Lot and O'Keefe lot will also be affected, and fans and alumni should consider alternate routes when making their way to the game.

football forecast

Each week during the football season, the *Technique* will pick a list of college matchups to be played that weekend. The person who submits the list with the most correctly projected winners receives a prize. In the event of a tie, the winner is determined by the person who most accurately predicts the score of Tech's game. To submit your picks, go to www.nique.net/footballforecast. This week's games are:

- Tech vs. Duke
- Utah State vs. Clemson
- Florida A&M vs. Virginia Tech
- N.C. State vs. Maryland
- Virginia vs. Florida State
- North Carolina vs. Utah
- Vanderbilt vs. Georgia
- USC vs. Arizona State
- Missouri vs. Texas
- Ohio State vs. Iowa
- Wisconsin vs. Purdue
- Southern Miss. vs. Alabama
- Hawaii vs. UTEP
- Wyoming vs. BYU

Sports Editor's record: 11-4

Last week's winner:
Heath Patterson

Football looks to impress against Duke

By Vishal Patel
Contributing Writer

For Tech this homecoming game is about more than proving to the fans and media that they do not just play to the level of their opponents. This weekend's homecoming duel against Duke encompasses a coaching battle between former Tech Assistant Coach Ted Roof, who now coaches the Blue Devils, and Tech Head Coach Chan Gailey.

Roof's connections with Tech go deeper than coaching. Roof shined for Tech as an All-ACC linebacker under Bill Curry's squad in the '80s. Two decades after his graduation, Roof found work at Tech as an assistant coach under George O'Leary from 1998-2001. He was then was

supposed to take up the defensive coordinator position at Notre Dame under O'Leary. When O'Leary's job, and consequently Roof's, failed to materialize, Roof attempted to come back to his original assistant coach job at Tech under Gailey. Instead, Gailey could only offer the displaced Roof a lower coaching position, which Roof turned down.

Finding himself on the road, Roof found work under Carl Franks' system in Durham and was picked to be the Devil's new head coach when Franks was fired. Ironically enough, Roof solidified the head

coach position with a 41-17 shellacking of his alma mater last year—Duke's first conference win in its last 30 attempts.

Roof does not seem too worried too much about the history surrounding this weekend's game.

"I don't really have time to worry about it," Roof said in a press conference earlier this week. "There are some special people who have made [Tech] a really good place and I have a lot of good memories there. But what we're trying to do is build some

memories here at Duke. That's what our focus is. It's not about the past...I have a lot of respect for Chan Gailey and the job he's done there."

Gailey returns the favor and applauded Roof.

"He has a way of being tough with [his

team] and getting them to understand what needs to be done to win," Gailey said in a press conference earlier this week. "He's doing a nice job over there. They were right there at the end with UConn, Navy and had Maryland in a dogfight."

Returning to the present, the building rivalry, and perhaps revenge factor between the coaches, shifts over to Gailey's turf. An upset in Atlanta would be devastating to a team looking to build momentum. But Gailey has little to worry about with history on his side.

In the two years that he has under

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Chan Gailey
Tech head coach



By Christopher Gooley / STUDENT PUBLICATIONS

Reggie Ball scrambles away from the N.C. State defense in last year's homecoming game against the Wolfpack.

his belt at Tech, Gailey sports a perfect record in homecoming games at Tech with recent wins over Virginia in 2002 and N.C. State in 2003, and he is not alone in this respect.

Setting a career-high for passing yards, quarterback Reggie Ball threw for 283 yards and two touchdowns against N.C. State in a win that kept Tech's bowl hopes alive with a 29-21 win and continued what would be a season-high four-game winning streak. A year earlier, quarterback A.J. Suggs led the Jackets to a 23-0

halftime lead against Virginia throwing for 220 yards while the Ramblin' Wreck ran for 211 yards. The Jackets would hold on for a 23-15 win.

This year the Jackets hope to continue this winning tradition by running the same successful game plan: pounding the defense with the run and then scorching the secondary with timely passes. If the Jackets can hold to this formula for victory, then they will be sure to succeed.

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Kim King, legendary quarterback, sports announcer, dies at age 59

By Edward Tamsberg
Sports Editor

King waves to the crowd as he rides onto Grant Field in the Ramblin' Wreck before Tech's game against Miami earlier this month. Below, King is carried off the field by a crowd of RATs after a big win. King was the starting quarterback from 1965-1967.



By Rob Skinner / GTAA



Photo courtesy GTAA

Kim King, a legendary figure in Tech athletics, first as a player and then as the Yellow Jackets' long-time color analyst and as a philanthropist, died Tuesday morning after a battle with leukemia. He was 59.

"We've lost a great person. Personally, he was responsible for bringing me back to Georgia Tech," Athletic Director Dave Braine said.

King began his long association with Tech when he enrolled at the Institute in the fall of 1963. "The Young Lefty" was a three-year starter at quarterback from 1965-67, leading the Jackets to berths in the Gator and Orange Bowls. One of the highlights of his career came when he helped the Jackets to a victory over No. 8 Tennessee in 1966, and he was named National Back of the Week by *Sports Illustrated*

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Dave Braine
Tech athletic director

magazine. He finished his career as Tech's all-time leading passer. Also an outstanding student, King earned his bachelor's degree in Industrial Management from Tech in 1968, launching a successful business career. In 1972 he founded Kim King Associates, Inc., one of Atlanta's foremost commercial real estate development firms.

His firm developed numerous properties all over Atlanta, including the Centergy complex adjacent to the Tech campus at Technology Square.

"For so many people, he embodied what Georgia Tech is—you play, you compete, you

win, but you do it the right way," Tech's play-by-play voice Wes Durham said.

At the Yellow Jackets' most recent home football game against Miami on Oct. 2, Tech honored King by officially dedicating the Kim King Football Locker Room at Bobby

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